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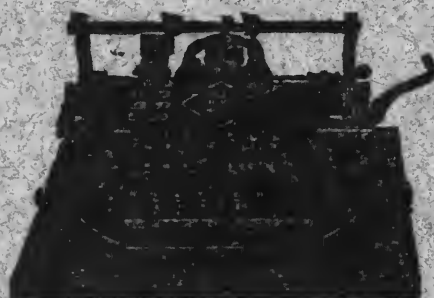
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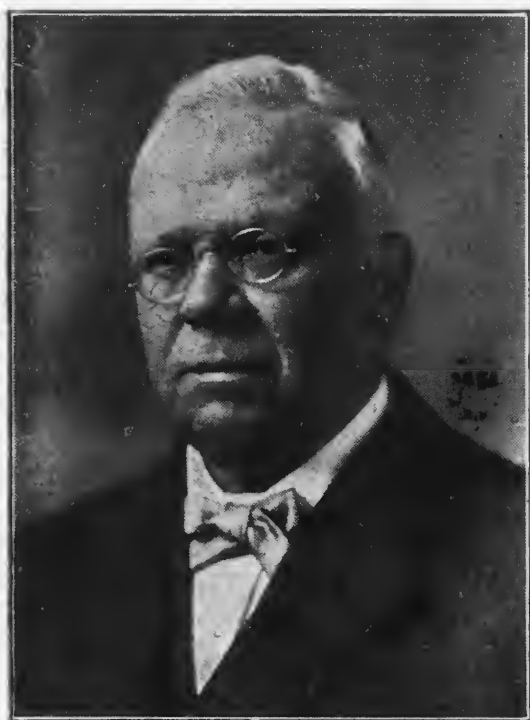
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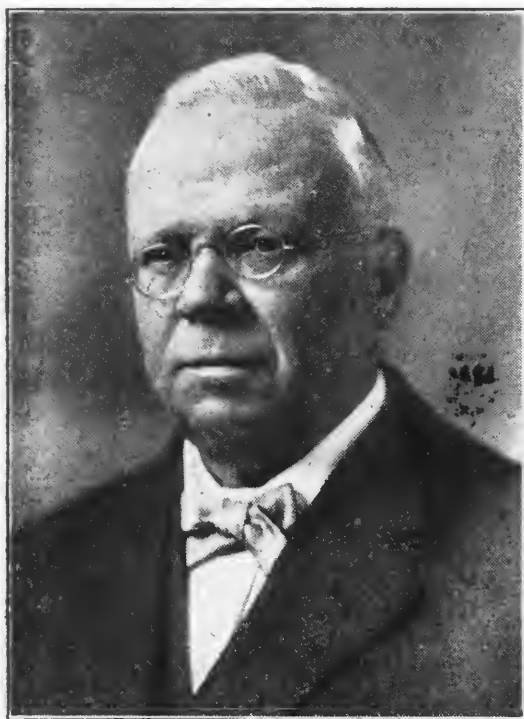
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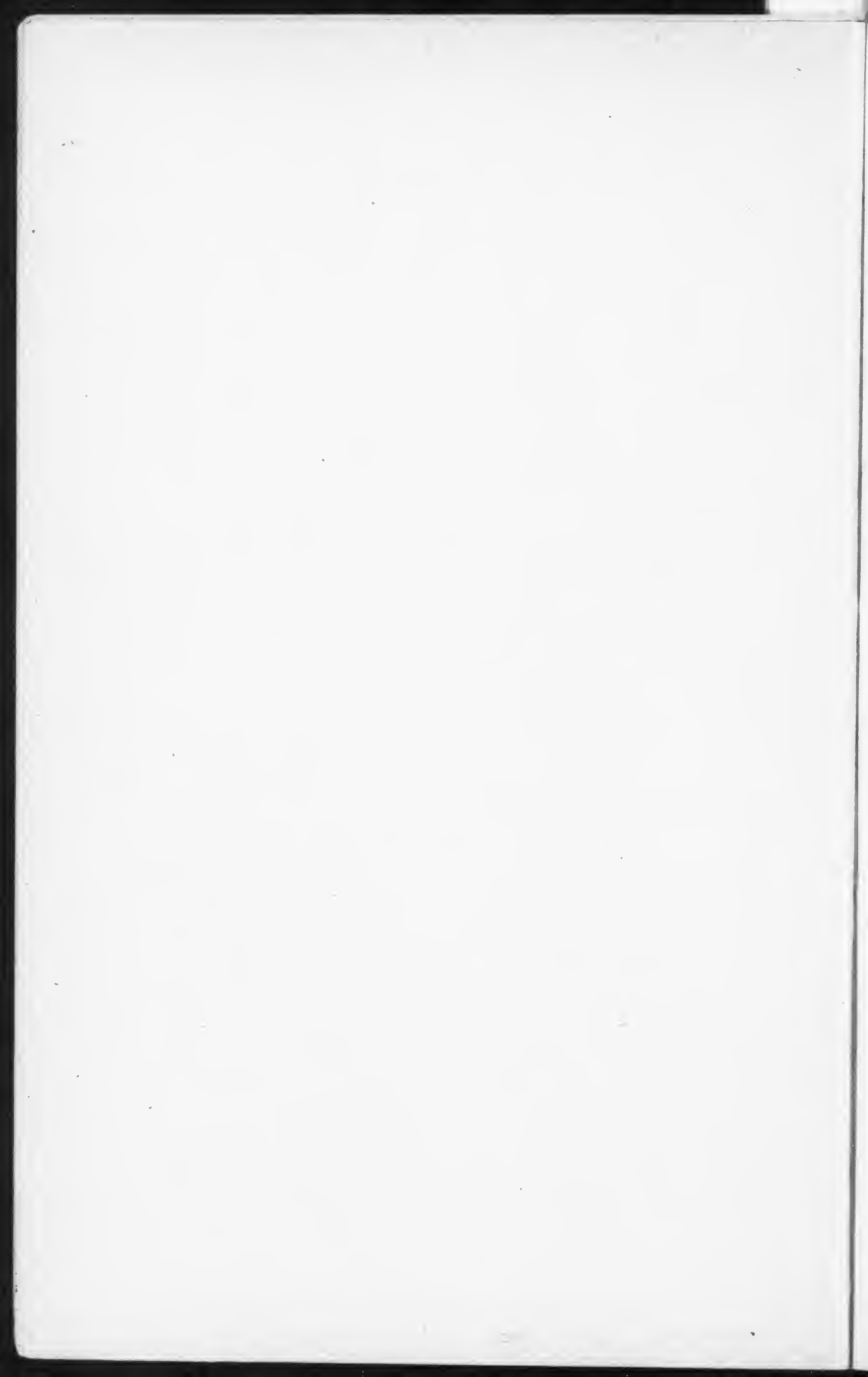
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Lane	100	Wolsey	100
Okobojo Circuit	80		
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Iona and Hamil	200	Vivian and Draper	200
Kennebec	270	Winner	260
		New Work	270

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Colton	100	Lennox	60
Centerville	60	Montrose	60
Davis	30	Sioux Falls Jordan	200
Harrisburg	30		

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Bruce	100	Junius	80
Chester	100	Lake Preston	90
Clear Lake	150	Oldham	100
De Smet	140	Florence	95
Frankfort	90		

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7:30 P. M.—Address of Welcome by President Warren, D. D.
Response by The Rev. J. W. Potter, D. D.

8:15 P. M.—Aniversary of the Board of Conference Claimants,
the Rev. A. E. Carhart, Presiding. Address by the
Rev. G. T. Notson.

Wednesday, October 9th

- 2:00 P. M.—Conference Missionary Sermon by the Rev. J. S. Hoagland, D. D.
- 3:00 P. M.—Temperance Anniversary, the Rev. Ernest Holgate presiding. Address by the Rev. Edwin Locke, D. D., Topeka, Kans.
- 4:00 P. M.—Evangelism by the Rev. J. W. Sommerville, D. D. (Every day.)
- 8:00 P. M.—Anniversary of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Rev. W. A. Black, presiding. Address by the Rev. Harvey Reeves Calkins, India.

Thursday, October 10th

- 2:30 P. M.—Anniversary of Deaconess Work, Miss Winnie Crouch presiding. Addresses by the Rev. G. W. Resenberry, the Rev. W. A. Black, and Miss Alice Robertson.
- 7:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Freedman's Aid Society, the Rev. L. L. Layne, presiding. Address by the Rev. P. V. Maveety, D. D.

Friday, October 11th

- 2:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mrs. J. P. Jenkins, presiding.
- 7:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, the Rev. R. G. Minkler, presiding. Address by the Rev. Henry Coker, D. D., Denver, Colo.

Saturday, October 12th

- 2:00 P. M.—Anniversary of the Women's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. W. S. Shepherd, presiding. Address by Mrs. Cotton Mather.
- 7:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Board of Education, the Rev. J. P. Jenkins, D. D., presiding. Addresses by the Rev. Wm. G. Seaman, D. D., and the Rev. Thomas Nicholson, D. D.

Sunday, October 13th

- 9 00 A. M.—Love Feast conducted by the Rev. A. Jamieson.
- 10:30 A. M.—Morning Worship and Sermon by Bishop Naphtali Luccock, D. D., L. L. D.
- 2:30 P. M.—Ordination Services.
- 3:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Bible Society, the Rev. C. M. Stebbins, presiding. Address by the Rev. S. H. Kirkbride, D. D.
- 6:30 P. M.—Anniversary of the Epworth League, the Rev. A. C. MacLean, presiding. Address by the Rev. H. W. Bromley, D. D.
- 8:00 P. M.—Anniversary of the Board of Sunday Schools, the Rev. L. L. Lane, presiding. Address by the Rev. L. O. Hartman, D. D.

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	Time	Conference	Time	Manner		
Aitcheson, A. J....	Ind. ME Ch.	1911	Credentials	Effective	Dallas
Bennett, E. A....	1910	N. W. Iowa..	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	Lake Preston
Black, W. A.....	1882	Des Moines.	1908	Transfer ..	Effective	Yankton
Boyce, O. E.....	1902	Dakota	1902	Probation..	Effective	Watertown
Boslaugh, C. C....	1907	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	Frankfort
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Bruce, R. A.....	1902	Iowa	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	Brookings
Bunt, P. O.....	1902	Dakota	1902	Probation..	Effective	Alexandria
Buriff, A. E.....	....	Iowa	1909	Transfer ..	Effective	Madison
Butterfield, O. W.	1903	Dakota	1903	Probation..	Effective	Brookings
Calfee, W. J.....	....	Nebraska	1906	Transfer ..	Effective	Cody, Wyo.
Carhart, A. E....	1892	Dakota	1892	Probation..	Effective	Mitchell
Chamberlain, D. W.	1874	N. W. Ia....	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup't.	Scotland
Corwin, G. J.....	1886	Dakota	1886	Probation..	Sup't.	Artesian
Clark, C. B.....	1864	Iowa	1886	Transfer ..	Effective	Hot Springs
Clayton, John....	1909	Dakota	1909	Transfer ..	Effective	Iroquois
Crisp, M. R.....	....	Nebraska	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	Webster
Crowder, U. S....	1897	Baltimore	1909	Transfer ..	Effective	Winner
Crowther, James..	1894	Dakota	1904	Probation..	Effective	New York City
Darling, L. W....	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	Gary
Davies, Thos....	1912	Dakota	1912	Probation..	Effective	White Rock
Dean, E. E.....	1896	Dakota	1896	Probation..	Sup't.	Huron
Deeble, W. D.....	1888	Dakota	1888	Probation..	Effective	Conde
Dibble, J. B.....	1890	Dakota	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	Sioux Falls
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Franklin, J. F....	1908	W. Wis.	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	Claremont
Gage, G. N.....	Readmitted	Effective	Valley Springs
Gale, W. E.....	1896	N. New Y....	1903	Transfer ..	Effective	Plankinton
Gardner, Paul ..	1900	Des Moines..	1905	Transfer ..	Effective	Salem
Gibson, J. F.....	1890	Des Moines..	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	Woonsocket
Gilliland, C. V...	1900	Upper Ia....	1905	Transfer ..	Effective	Farmington, Mo.
Graf, C. H.....	1909	Dakota	1909	Transfer ..	Effective	Gayville
Graham, W. I....	1893	Iowa	1897	Transfer ..	Sup'y.	Cedar Rapids, Ia.
Gram, W. O.....	1893	Dakota	1893	Probation..	Sup't.	Bath
Greene, W. A....	1897	Dakota	1897	Probation..	Effective	Geddes
Greene, J. Clarence	1910	Dakota	1910	Transfer ..	Sup'y.	Chicago
Gurney, J. T.....	1894	Detroit	1900	Transfer ..	Effective	McClure
Habgood, M. T...	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	Langford
Hager, C. E.....	1878	Upper Ia....	1885	Chart Mbr.	Effective	Black Hills
Hall, J. G.....	1886	Ohio	1886	Transfer ..	Sup't.	Holtville, Cal.
Hargett, I. M....	....	N. W. Ia....	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	Wessington Springs
Harkness, J. S...	1894	Wesleyan ..	1894	Credentials	Effective	Aberdeen
Harold, C. B....	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	Murdo
Hartt, Albert ...	1903	E. Maine	1908	Transfer ..	Effective	Britton
Hartsough, L....	1851	Oneida	1885	Char. M'b'r.	Sup't.	Mt. Vernon
Hartung, W. E...	1909	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	Black Hills
Hoagland, J. S...	1894	N. W. Ind...	1909	Transfer ..	Effective	Mitchell
Holgate, Ernest...	1907	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	Redfield
Hocking, A. E....	1909	Dakota	1909	Probation..	Effective	Mitchell
Holmes, E. E....	1906	N. W. Ind...	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	Letcher
Hoyer, A. J.....	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	Artesian

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NAME	Entered Conference		Entered Dakota Conference		Conference Relation	Address
	Time	Conference	Time	Manner		
Hughes, R. B....	1889	Des Moines.	1906	Transfer ..	Effective	..... White Lake
Hunter, J. M.....	1908	Dakota	1908	Probation..	Effective	..... Northville
Hunt, E. E.....	.....	Nebraska ..	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Canton
Hyde, O. M.....	1903	Dakota	1903	Probation..	Effective	..... Egan
Jackson, O. P.....	1912	Dakota	1912	Probation..	Effective	..... Harrisburg
Jamieson, A.....	1872	N. W. Iowa.	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup't.	Correctionville, Iowa
Janes, A. P.....	1890	Dakota	1890	Probation..	Effective	..... Dell Rapids
Jenkins, J. P.....	1887	Dakota	1887	Probation..	Effective	..... Mitchell
Johnson, N. P....	1894	W. N. Dan..	1899	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Carpenter
Kaye, John.....	1897	Dakota	1897	Probation..	Effective	..... Scotland
Kearton, J. H....	1905	Dakota	1905	Probation..	Effective	..... Miller
Kratz, R. N.....	1909	Dakota	1909	Probation..	Effective	..... Pukwana
Lane, Louis L....	1899	Dakota	1899	Probation..	Effective	..... Mitchell
Layne, Lawrence..	1907	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	..... Clark
Lewis, F. F.....	1907	Indiana	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Watertown
Lott, A. M.....	1889	N. W. Kan..	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Frederick
Loveall, A. S....	1880	W. Va.	1905	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Howard
Lucas, J. W.....	.....	.....	1907	Readmitted	Effective	..... Fairfax
Machemer, E. O...	1907	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	..... Lane
Matteson, C. E....	1892	Dakota	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Rapid City
Matthews, G. T....	1910	Dakota	1910	Probation..	Effective	..... Burdette
Minkler, R. G....	1908	N. W. Iowa..	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Garden City
McBeth, P. H....	1903	Dakota	1903	Probation..	Effective	..... Lemmon
McDonald, L. A....	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	..... Highmore
McEldowney, B. W	1902	Dakota	1902	Probation..	Effective	..... Hazel
McKinney, J. E....	.....	N. Dakota...	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Bowdle
MacLean, A. C....	1904	Dakota	1904	Probation..	Effective	..... Minneapolis
Morrison, F. E....	.....	Iowa	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Andover
Nickerson, M. E...	1885	N. W. Ia....	1885	Chart Mbr.	Effective	..... Alpena
Nicholson, Thos. .	1886	Michigan ..	1903	Transfer ..	Effective	..... New York, N. Y.
Norton, F. J.....	1878	Upper Ia....	1895	Transfer ..	Sup't.	..... Mitchell
Norvell, J. E.....	1885	N. W. Iowa.	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup'y.	..... Hamilton, Col.
Notson, G. T.....	1893	Des Moines..	1894	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Huron
Oakley, J. N.....	1910	Dakota	1910	Probation..	Effective	..... Oldham
Ozanne, H. G.....	1906	N. Ind.	1907	Transfer ..	Effective	..... White
Page, F. C.....	1909	Dakota	1909	Probation..	Effective	..... Bristol
Payne, J. R.....	.....	Iowa	1906	Probation..	Sup'y.	..... Missoula, Mont.
Phillips, O. A....	1863	Un'd Bret...	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup't.	..... Mitchell
Potter, I. P.....	1897	Dakota	1897	Probation..	Effective	..... Canistota
Potter, J. W.....	1887	Iowa	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Sioux Falls
Rawlinson, Fred..	1910	Dakota	1910	Probation..	Effective	..... DeSmet
Ray, F. H.....	1908	Dakota	1908	Probation..	Effective	..... Henry
Redfield, W. O....	1890	Dakota	1890	Probation..	Effective	..... Tripp
Rice, Harry E....	1912	Dakota	1912	Probation..	Effective	..... Elk Point
Richmond, G. M...	1904	Calif.	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Huron
Rifenbark, D.....	1885	N. W. Ia....	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup't.	..... Big Stone City
Rosenberry, G. W..	1895	Cent. N. Y..	1901	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Sioux Falls
Roush, D. I.....	1910	N. Neb.....	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Chicago
Sanderson, N. F...	1907	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	..... Andover
Saxton, E. E.....	1901	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	..... Wakonda
Seaman, W. G.....	.....	New Eng. ...	1912	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Mitchell
Seaton, J. L.....	1897	Upper Ia....	1904	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Mitchell
Shearer, R. C....	1908	Dakota	1908	Probation..	Effective	..... Sisseton
Shepherd, W. S....	1898	Dakota .....	.....	Probation..	Effective	..... Mitchell
Simmons, T.....	1875	Upper Ia....	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup't.	..... Faulkton
Shurtleff, S. H....	1905	Dakota	1905	Probation..	Effective	..... Tyndall
Skinner, C. W....	1912	Dakota	1912	Probation..	Effective	..... Colman
Smith, J. T. B....	1896	N. Minn....	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Gettysburg
Spitz, S. F.....	.....	N. Minn....	1911	Re-admitted	Effective	..... Roswell
Springer, H. M....	1864	W. Wis.....	1885	Chart Mbr.	Sup't.	..... Hartford, Vt.
Stebbins, C. M. ...	1889	Vermont ...	1906	Transfer ..	Effective Millboro
Stevens, J. D....	1909	Dakota	1909	Probation..	Effective Tulare

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Tanner, A. E.....	1883	Genesee	1885	Transfer ..	Supt. Mitchell
Tarleton, R. E.....	1905	Dakota	1905	Probation..	Effective Arlington
Taylor, O. W.....	1894	Minnesota ..	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Aberdeen
Thomas, Martin...	1901	Dakota	1901	Probation..	Effective	..... Logan, Utah
Thurston, A. W....	1897	Dakota	1897	Probation..	Effective	..... Flandreau
Tibbetts, J. M....	1899	N. W. Ia....	1906	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Milbank
Trevithick, T. H..	1892	Dakota	1905	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Platte
Vernon, E. E.....	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	..... Ashton
Walsh, J. L.....	1911	Dakota	1911	Probation..	Effective	..... St. Lawrence
Ward, A. M.....	1905	Dakota	1905	Probation..	Sup'y.	..... Northville
Weir, Samuel	1889	Rock River.	1910	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Mitchell
Weston, P. H....	1907	Dakota	1907	Probation..	Effective	..... Terraville, S. D.
White, F. E.....	1882	New Hamp..	1909	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Hot Springs
Wilber, T. B.....	1901	N. W. Ind..	1911	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Vermillion
Wilcox, C. E.....	190	Dakota	1908	Probation..	Effective	..... Faulkton
Wilkinson, T.....	1871	Prim. Metl..	1891	Credentials	Sup't.	..... Siloam Sp'gs., Ark.
Wilkinson, W. A..	1903	N. W. Ia....	1904	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Pierre
Wiley, J. A.....	1883	W. Wis.	1908	Transfer ..	Effective	..... Selby
Wood, John.....	1909	Dakota	1909	Probation..	Effective	..... Clear Lake
Youngman, T. H..	1867	Oneida	1891	Transfer ..	Supt.	..... Cannon City, Colo.

PROBATIONERS

NAME	Admitted		Class	Address
	Confer- ence	Year		
Lockridge, C. D....	Dakota	1907	Second year	..Greencastle, Ind.
Deller, Wm. N.....	Dakota	1910	Third year	.....Hartford
Hartley, J. W.....	Dakota	1910	Second year	.....Black Hills
Howell, Ralph.....	Dakota	1911	First year	.....Vivian
Beardsley, A. H....	Dakota	1911	First year	.....Lennox
Book, G. H.....	Dakota	1911	Second year	.....Davis'
Brethorst, P. V.	Dakota	1911	Second year	.....Garretson
Dudgeon, W. J.....	Dakota	1911	Fourth year	.....Bradley
Wilson, A. L.....	Dakota	1911	Second year	.....Oldham
Tanner, Frank.....	Dakota	1911	Second year	.....Bruce
Redmayne, Ernest...	Dakota	1911	Second year	.....Corona
Christianson, N. A...	Dakota	1911	First year	..Greencastle, Ind.
McClarion, W. C. ..	Dakota	1909	First year	.....Mitchell
Underwood, E. T....	Dakota	1909	First year	.....Wagner
Bradley, T. W.....	Dakota	1909	First year	.....Springfield
Leavit, F. F.....	Dakota	1912	First year	.....Blunt
Marble, S. W.....	Dakota	1912	First year	.....Wolsey
McDonald, C. E.....	Dakota	1912	First year	.....Wessington
Lovett, E. L.	Dakota	1912	First year	.....Rockham
Dennison, C. B.....	Dakota	1912	First Year	.....Chester
James, J. H.....	Dakota	1912	First Year	.....Colome
Ebert, J. H.....	Dakota	1912	Third year	.....Junius

JOURNAL OF SESSION

First Day

Thursday, October 9, 1912.

Opening—The twenty-eighth session of the Dakota Annual Conference assembled in the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Yankton, S. D., October 9, 1912 at 8:30 o'clock A. M., Bishop Naphtali Luccock, D. D., L. L. D., presiding. The Rev. Harvey Reeves Calkins, Missionary to India led the devotional exercises. The Bishop assisted by the District Superintendents administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Roll Call—The secretary of the last Conference called the roll and the following responded:—R. J. Aitcheson, W. A. Black, O. E. Boyce, C. C. Boslaugh, F. L. Bramaghim, G. D. Brown, S. E. Brown, R. A. Bruce, P. O. Bunt, A. E. Buriff, A. E. Carhart, G. J. Corwin, John Clayton, M. R. Crisp, L. W. Darling, W. D. Deeble, F. B. Dunn, H. P. Eberhart, J. D. Evans, Nels Fanebust, W. T. Ferguson, C. L. Fillebrown, E. V. Fisher, J. F. Franklin, W. E. Gale, Paul Gardner, J. F. Gibson, C. H. Graf, M. T. Habgood, I. M. Hargett, J. S. Harkness, C. B. Harrold, Albert Hartt, W. E. Hartung, Ernest Holgate, E. E. Holmes, A. J. Hoyer, R. B. Hughes, J. M. Hunter, E. E. Hunt, O. M. Hyde, A. Jamieson, J. P. Jenkins, N. P. Johnson, John Kaye, J. H. Kearton, R. N. Kratz, Lawrence L. Layne, A. S. Loveall, G. T. Mathews, R. G. Minkler, P. H. McBeth, L. A. McDonald, W. B. McEldowney, J. E. McKinney, A. C. MacLean, F. E. Morrison, M. E. Nickerson, G. T. Notson, J. N. Oakley, H. G. Ozanne, J. W. Potter, Fred Rawlinson, F. H. Ray, W. O. Redfield, H. C. Riley, G. W. Rosenberry, E. E. Saxton, J. L. Seaton, R. C. Shearer, W. S. Shepherd, J. T. B. Smith, S. F. Spitz, C. M. Stebbins, J. D. Stevens, C. B. Thomas, A. W. Thurston, J. M. Tibbetts, T. H. Trivithick, E. E. Vernon, J. L. Walsh, F. E. White, T. B. Wilber, C. E. Wilcox, W. A. Wilkinson, John Wood.

Probationers—J. S. Ellis, Thos. Davies, O. P. Jackson, H. E. Rice, W. N. Deller, J. W. Hartley, Ralph Howell, G. H. Book, P. V. Brethorst, W. J. Dudgeon, A. L. Wilson, Ernest Redmayne, N. A. Christianson, E. T. Underwood, T. W. Bradley.

Organization—G. D. Brown was re-elected Secretary and upon his nomination, I. M. Hargett, H. P. Eberhart and A. C. MacLean were elected Assistant Secretaries.

A. W. Thurston was re-elected Statistical Secretary and upon his nomination, F. L. Bromaghim, J. D. Stevens, R. G. Minkler, W. E. Gale and E. E. Saxton were elected Assistant Statisticians.

J. M. Hunter was re-elected Treasurer and upon his nomination H. G. Ozanne, F. E. Morrison, R. C. Shearer, C. E. Wilcox and P. O. Bunt, were elected Assistant Treasurers.

Conference Bar.—Upon motion of J. P. Jenkins that part of the room in front of the posts supporting the gallery was fixed as the bar of the Conference and the time for adjournment at 12 o'clock.

Postmaster—O. M. Hyde was re-elected postmaster.

Question 2—Who have been received by transfer and from what Conferences? The transfers of Geo. M. Richmond from the California Conference, J. B. Dibble from the North Nebraska Conference and A. M. Lott from the Des Moines Conference were announced and they were introduced to the Conference.

In accordance with the plan adopted at the session of this Conference last year the statistics were gathered at this time.

Introductions—The Rev. Harvey Reeves Calkins, D. D., and the Rev. Edwin Locke, D. D., were introduced and addressed the Conference.

Draft—A letter was read by the Bishop from Dr. J. B. Hingeley, General Secretary of the Board of Conference Claimant's and a draft for \$350 from the Connectional Fund was announced and ordered passed to the Board of Stewards.

Question 14—Was the character of each preacher examined? J. S. Harkness, Superintendent of the Aberdeen District was passed in character and read his report.

The following effective Elders in charge were called, passed in character and those present reported their collections: O. W. Taylor, F. E. Morrison, O. M. Hyde, J. E. McKinney, W. D. Deeble, John Wood, H. G. Ozanne, F. L. Bromaghim, S. E. Brown, Ernest Holgate, J. M. Hunter, D. I. Roush, J. A. Willey, Ralph C. Shearer, M. R. Crisp, J. F. Franklin, A. M. Lott.

G. T. Notson, Superintendent of the Huron district was called, passed in character and read his report.

The following effective Elders in charge, were called, passed in character and those present reported their collections: M. E. Nickerson, J. T. B. Smith, N. P. Johnson, C. E. Wilcox, R. A. Bruce, S. F. Spitz, John Clayton, E. O. Machemer, J. H. Kearton, A. D. Thibodeau, I. W. Ellis, I. M. Hargett, J. F. Gibson, G. M. Richmond.

The list of Standing Committees was read, revised and approved.

On motion of G. T. Notson, a Standing Committee on Conference Claimants was ordered and the following were elected: W. D. Deeble, J. B. Gibson, P. O. Bunt, J. W. Potter and H. C. Riley.

The following by A. E. Buriff was carried:—That it be among the duties of the Committee on Conference Claimants to investigate the reports of the pastors to determine whether the claim of the Conference Claimants has been pro-rated as provided by the discipline, to collect the amount of the deficiencies from such pastors as have not pro-rated and to report to the Conference not later than Friday the names of the pastors still delinquent.

John Wood was announced by the Bishop as agent for the Methodist Review.

Reporters—On motion of J. P. Jenkins, H. G. Ozanne was elected reporter for the Northwestern Christian Advocate and E. E. Vernon for the local papers.

A committee was appointed consisting of Ernest Holgate, L. A. McDonald, E. E. Holmes, C. H. Graf, F. F. Lewis to consider a communication concerning Episcopal support, from the Colorado Conference.

Introductions—The Rev. J. W. Sommerville of Southwest Kansas Conference and the Rev. A. C. Stevens of the Minnesota Conference were introduced.

J. T. B. Smith, transferred into this Conference at the 1911 Session, was introduced.

On motion of J. P. Jenkins the transfer of Dr. W. G. Seaman, the newly elected President of Dakota Wesleyan University to this Conference was requested and the Bishop announced the transfer made.

On motion of G. T. Notson the entire list of Special Appointments was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Adjournment—Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. P. Jenkins.

Second Day

Thursday, October 10, 1912

Opening—The devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. J. W. Sommerville, D. D., after which the Bishop took the chair and the minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of J. P. Jenkins, J. T. B. Smith was substituted for H. G. Ozanne as reporter to the Northwestern Christian Advocate with authority to report to the Daily Press and C. L. Fillebrown was added to the reporters staff.

Question 14—Resumed:—W. S. Shepherd, Superintendent of the Mitchell District was passed in character and read his report.

The following effective elders in charge were called, passed in character and those present gave their reports:—P. O. Bunt, C. B. Thomas, E. V. Fisher, E. E. Holmes, C. M. Stebbins, G. D. Egner, W. A. Green, W. F. Ferguson, R. J. Aitcheson, F. B. Dunn, J. S. Hoagland, C. B. Harrold, W. E. Gale, T. H. Trevithick, R. N. Kratz, A. S. Loveall, R. B. Hughes, W. O. Redfield, I. P. Potter, J. T. Gurney, U. S. Crowder.

G. W. Rosenberry, Superintendent of the Sioux Falls District, was called, passed in character, and presented his report which included the report of A. C. Shepherd for the first eight months of the year.

On motion of W. O. Redfield, the Secretary was instructed by a rising vote to send to Dr. Shepherd the greetings and love of the Conference.

The following effective elders in charge were called, their character passed and those present gave their reports:—G. D. Brown, E. E. Hunt, A. P. Janes, A. W. Thurston, C. H. Graf, H. P. Eberhart, Paul Gardner, J. W. Potter, S. H. Shurtleff, T. B. Wilber, E. E. Saxton, J. M. Tibbetts.

O. E. Boyce, Superintendent of the Watertown District, was called, passed in character and read his report.

At the suggestion of the Bishop and on motion of G. T. Notson, the Secretary was instructed to send a note of sympathy to R. E. Tarleton on account of the serious illness of his son.

The following effective elders in charge were called, passed in character and those present made their reports:—R. E. Tarleton, W. A. Black, A. C. MacLean, L. L. Layne, C. C. Boslaugh, John Kaye, B. W. McEldowney, R. G. Minkler, E. R. Little, A. E. Buriff, J. N. Greene, W. E. Hartung, H. C. Riley.

Drafts—The Bishop announced dividends from the Book Concern of \$2017 and from the Chartered Fund of \$30 and on motion of G. T. Notson drafts for the same were ordered passed to the chairman of the Board of Stewards.

Transfers—The Bishop announced the following transfers:—J. N. Greene to the Indiana Conference, D. W. Moore to the Oregon Conference, C. H. Bryan to the Oregon Conference, A. B. Whitmer to the Nebraska Conference, A. D. Thibodeau to the Rock River Conference, J. H. Brown to the North Dakota Conference, A. Ronshausen to the Minnesota Conference, E. R. Little to the West Wisconsin Conference, S. F. Kerfoot to the Minnesota Conference, A. C. Shepherd to the California Conference, A. L. Cathers, to the Idaho Conference.

Introductions:—Elbert Robb Zaring, D. D., Editor of the North western Christian Advocate, William Grant Seaman, Ph. D., President

of the Dakota Wesleyan University, J. P. Jenkins, D. D., Field Secretary of the Dakota Wesleyan University, Henry Coker, D. D., General Field Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, R. N. Holsapple, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League were introduced and addressed the Conference.

Board of Examiners—The Secretary read the list of the members of the Board of Examiners as appointed by the Bishop. (See list.)

Resolutions—G. T. Notson offered the following resolution:—We have heard with delight the announcement of the reduction of the subscription price of our Official Advocate, the Northwestern, to one dollar per year and we pledge the publishing agents our hearty cooperation in a persistent endeavor to place a copy of this paper in every Methodist home.

To the Rev. Robb Zaring, D. D., the new editor, we pledge our support in his efforts to improve and popularize our official paper to meet the needs of our intelligent and growing constituency. This resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

R. G. Minkler presented a resolution asking the Conference to endorse a Deaconess Hospital at Brookings. On motion of E. V. Fisher this resolution was laid on the table until such time as the committee on Hospitals should report.

Special Order—The report of the committee on Hospitals was made the order of the day for Saturday at 10:00 a. m.

Publishers of Conference Minutes—On motion of W. O. Redfield G. D. Brown, J. M. Hunter, and I. M. Hargett were made the publishers of the Conference Minutes.

On motion of G. T. Notson the case of Thomas Simmons was referred to the committee on Conference Relations.

Closing—Announcements were made and the benediction was pronounced by E. E. Hunt.

Third Day

Friday, October 11, 1912.

Opening—The devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. J. W. Somerville, D. D. The Bishop took the chair at 9 o'clock A. M. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Introductions—The Rev. P. J. Mavetty, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Freedman's Aid Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Question 11.—What members have completed the Conference Course of Study? J. D. Stevens, J. N. Oakley, and Fred Rawlinson were passed in character, reported their collections, were graduated from the Course of Study and elected to Elder's Orders.

Question 8.—Who have been admitted into full membership? John S. Ellis, Orrin P. Jackson, Harry E. Rice, Carl W. Skinner and Thomas Davies were admitted into full membership and elected to Deacon's Orders.

Wm. N. Deller was continued on trial for health reasons, advanced to the studies of the Third Year and elected to Deacon's Orders.

John W. Hartley was continued on trial in studies of the Second Year and credited with the studies taken.

The class for admission into full membership was called forward and answered the Disciplinary questions.

Introduction.—Dr. Thos. Nicholson, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education was introduced and addressed the Conference on the work of the Commission on Finance.

On motion of J. S. Hoagland the following resolution was adopted—We have heard with great satisfaction the address of Dr. Nicholson with reference to the plans of the Commission on Finance and we respectfully request that he present the same to the Layman's Association tomorrow morning.

Spécial Report.—The special report of the Committee on Conference Claimants was presented by J. W. Potter and adopted.

Introduction.—Miss Olive Paul of Asbury Hospital was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Question 9.—What Members are in the Studies of the Third Year? M. T. Habgood, E. E. Vernon, A. J. Hoyer, L. A. McDonald, G. T. Mathews and Thos. Davies were passed in character, reported their collections and were advanced to the studies of the Fourth Year.

F. H. Ray, P. H. Weston, J. L. Walsh, L. W. Darling, and F. C. Page were passed in character and continued in the studies of the third year.

The case of C. H. Bryan was referred to the Board of Examiners.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson the case of J. C. Green was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations and the committee was requested to report tomorrow.

In accordance with the action of the Conference of last year C. E. Logsdon was located.

H. I. Farr was located at his own request.

Question 6.—Who have been continued on trial? Ralph Howell,

Arthur H. Beardsley, Walter J. McClarinon, Eddy T. Underwood, and Thos. W. Bradley were passed in character, reported their collections and were continued in the studies of the first year.

Harry C. Burrows and Nels Christianson were passed in character, continued in the studies of the first year and were left without appointment to attend school.

Peter V. Brethorst was passed in character, reported his collections and was advanced to the studies of the second year.

Geo. H. Book, Anthony L. Wilson, Frank Tanner, John W. Hartley and Ernest Redmayne were passed in character, reported their collections and were advanced to the studies of the second year conditioned on one study each. C. D. Bullock, was passed in character, credited with the studies taken and discontinued.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson the District Superintendents were given permission to employ Bro. Bullock as a supply.

W. J. Dudgeon was passed in character, reported his collections, and was advanced to the studies of the fourth year.

Greetings—Dr. Nicholson brought greetings to the Conference from the Rev. J. E. Crowther, D. D., Department Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions.

Announcements were made and the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Nicholson.

Fourth Day

Saturday, October 12, 1912

Opening—The devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. W. J. Calfee. The Bishop took the chair at 9:00 A. M. The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

On motion of J. P. Jenkins, W. O. Gram was continued in the Retired Relation and excused from the Course of Study.

Bishop's Address—The class for admission was called forward and the Bishop addressed them.

Transfer in—The Bishop announced the transfer of Franklin F. Lewis from the Indiana Conference.

Introductions—The Bishop introduced to the Conference the Rev. F. F. Lewis, the Rev. J. A. Edwards, the Rev. H. L. Case, the Rev. O. W. Taylor, the Rev. J. L. Gillies, the Rev. H. W. Bromley, the Rev. W. C. Wasser, and Miss Alice Bielski.

Order of the Day—T. B. Wilber read the report of the Committee on Hospitals and moved its adoption.

On motion of O. E. Boyce the report was laid on the table.

Deaconess Hospital—In accordance with the previous action of the Conference the resolution concerning the proposed Deaconess Hospital at Brookings came before the Conference. On request the Secretary read the resolution.

A. E. Buriff moved its adoption.

Miss Alice Robertson and Dr. Greene of Brookings, S. D., were invited to address the Conference upon this question and after a prolonged discussion the resolution was adopted by a rising vote of 60 for and 29 against.

On motion of J. S. Hoagland the report of the Committee on Hospitals was reconsidered and adopted. (See report.)

By common consent it was left to the Cabinet to name the members of the Hospital Commission. (See Hospital Commission.)

Introduction—The Rev. L. O. Hartman, Ph. D., representative of the Board of Sunday Schools was introduced.

Adjournment—On motion of Thos. Nicholson the Conference adjourned to meet at 2:00 P. M. Dr. Hartman pronounced the benediction.

Afternoon Session

Saturday, October 12, 1912.

Opening—The Bishop called the Conference to order at 2:00 P. M. After short devotional exercises the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Question 1—Is the Annual Conference incorporated according to the requirements of the Discipline? The answer was, yes.

Question 2—Who have been readmitted? G. N. Gage was readmitted on his Certificate of Location from the Erie Conference.

Question 5—Who have been received on Trial? W. H. Evans, Samuel W. Marble, Chas. E. McDonald, Evan F. Lovett, Frank L. Leavit, C. B. Dennison, were received on trial and placed in the studies of the First Year.

Jos. H. James was received on trial, placed in the studies of the first year and was recognized as a Deacon on his credentials from the Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America.

John Ebert was received on trial, placed in the studies of the third year and elected to Deacon's Orders under the Seminary Rule.

Question 9—What members are in the studies of the third year? On motion of G. T. Notson, J. D. Evans was made effective and placed in the studies of the third year.

Transfers Out—The following were announced as transferred: J. H. Brown to the North Dakota Conference, John Hall to the Minnesota Conference, H. C. Burrows to the Idaho Conference, H. C. Riley to the Northwest Iowa Conference, C. L. Fillebrown to the Northwest Iowa Conference.

Locations—C. B. Thomas and H. I. Farr were located at their own request.

Having been duly notified I. B. Sevy was located without his consent.

Question 23—Who are the Supernumerary Preachers? A. M. Ward, J. R. Payne and W. I. Graham were continued in the supernumerary relation.

W. J. Douglass and J. E. Norvell were granted the supernumerary relation.

Question 24—Who are the Retired Preachers? Lewis Hartsough, F. J. Norton, J. G. Hall, D. W. Chamberlain, T. H. Youngman, H. M. Springer, Thos. Wilkinson, A. Jamieson, O. A. Phillips, A. E. Tanner, W. O. Gram, G. J. Corwin and Duane Rifenbark were continued in the Retired relation.

Thos. Simmons and E. E. Dean were granted the retired relation.

On motion of J. S. Harkness, D. W. Moore was made effective and transferred to the Oregon Conference.

On motion of Thos. Nicholson, D. I. Roush was left without appointment to attend school and his District Superintendent was instructed to confer with him in regard to his future relation to this Conference and report at the next session.

Greetings—On motion of Thos. Nicholson the Secretary of the Conference was instructed to send letters of greetings to the absent retired members.

A. Jamieson, D. Rifenbark and G. J. Corwin addressed the Conference, and letters to the Conference were read from J. G. Hall, Thos. Wilkinson, T. H. Youngman, H. M. Springer, and Lewis Hartsough, all of whom are retired members.

Triers of Appeals—J. A. Willey, W. A. Wilkinson, J. P. Jenkins, J. W. Potter and R. E. Tarleton, were elected Triers of Appeals.

Upon request Thos. Nicholson, J. S. Hoagland and A. C. MacLean were excused from further attendance upon the Conference.

Reports—The following reports were read and adopted: Education, Conference Claimants, Board of Stewards, Statistical, Treasurers, Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Church Extension, Church Literature, Auditing Treasurer's Accounts, Auditing District Superintendent's Accounts, Temperance, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Freedmans Aid, Sunday Schools.

Question 32—Where shall the next Conference be held? There being no invitations the matter was left with the District Superintendents.

On motion of J. S. Harkness, G. D. Brown was elected editor of the Conference Minutes.

J. C. Green was passed in character and left without appointment to attend school.

Conference Evangelists—On motion of O. E. Boyce, the Conference requested the appointment of three Evangelists: W. J. Calfee, Nels Fanebust and A. C. MacLean.

Introduced—The Rev. S. M. Kirkbride, D. D., was introduced and addressed the Conference on the work of the American Bible Society.

Prof. H. C. Claussen, Evangelistic Singer was introduced to the Conference and explained his work.

Legal Session—On motion of G. T. Notson the Conference convened in Corporate Session.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and adopted.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot of the Conference for G. W. Rosenberry and A. E. Carhart as Trustees for the term of three years and that W. S. Shepherd be elected President, M. E. Nickerson, Secretary and A. E. Carhart, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year, which was done.

On motion the legal session then adjourned.

On motion of H. G. Ozanne it was ordered that the next session of Dakota Conference be requested to make the collecting of Pastor's Statistics the order of business immediately following its organization.

Federation—W. S. Shepherd read the Statement of Principles adopted by the Federation Council of Churches of Christ in South Dakota and on motion of G. T. Notson the same was adopted. G. M. Richmond, Ernest Holgate, and the District Superintendents were elected representatives to this Council. (See statement of principles.)

Adjournment—On motion the Conference adjourned to meet at 8:00 a. m., Monday morning. Dr. Thos. Nicholson pronounced the benediction.

Fifth Day

October 14, 1912.

Opening—In the absence of the Bishop and by his request J. P. Jenkins called the Conference to order. The Rev. H. W. Bromley led the devotional exercises.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The report of the Committees on Resolutions, Deaconess Board of Nine, and American Bible Society were read and adopted.

On motion of W. S. Shepherd the Secretary was authorized to secure reports of Committees not presented and insert them in the Minutes if they could be secured without delay.

A. E. Carhart addressed the Conference concerning the work of the Conference Board of Stewards.

On motion of W. A. Black the following resolution was adopted: That A. E. Carhart be authorized to issue a circular letter at a cost of not more than \$10.00, including postage, giving the pastors such facts concerning our retired members as may be helpful to them in presenting the claims of the Conference Claimants but without the mention of any names.

Journal—On motion of E. E. Hunt the printed minutes were made the official record of the conference.

On motion the Secretary, the First Assistant Secretary and the Treasurer were made the publishers of the minutes for 1913.

On motion of A. E. Carhart the action of the Treasurer in appropriating the unapportioned funds in the Conference Treasury to take up a deficiency in the cost of publishing the minutes was endorsed.

By special request Dr. Seaman addressed the Conference.

Miss Alice Bielski of the Helping Hand Mission of Sioux City addressed the Conference in behalf of that work.

Resolution—G. W. Rosenberry presented the following resolution:

Resolved that this Conference has suffered a great loss through the transfer of A. C. Shepherd to Oroville, California in search of better health for himself and his family and that we assure him of our undying interest in him and love for him and that our united prayer to God is now and shall continue to be that the blessing of sound health may be granted to himself and his family, and that all other good things may be given to him in large measure from day to day as his need may require. Further should the time ever come when he would have a desire to return to this Conference he will find a most hearty welcome.

Signed:

G. W. Rosenberry,
G. T. Notson,
J. S. Harkness,
O. E. Boyce.

On motion of J. W. Potter the resolution was adopted.

Standing Committees and Boards—On motion of G. T. Notson the list of nominations by the Cabinet of the Standing Committees and Boards was read and the members named were elected.

O. E. Boyce read the Missionary Appropriations which were confirmed by the Conference.

The Bishop took the chair at 10:30 a. m.

The names of those under special appointment were called, passed in character, and recommendations for the same were sanctioned by the Conference.

Adjournment—On motion of W. S. Shepherd the Conference voted to adjourn after the reading of the minutes and the stationing of the preachers.

The minutes were read. The hymn, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," was sung. The Bishop offered prayer. The appointments were read and the Conference adjourned without date.

G. D. BROWN,
Secetary

NAPHTALI LUCCOCK,
Presiding Elder

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This certifies that at Yankton, S. D., on Sunday, October 13, 1912, upon election by the Dakota Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church I ordained as Deacons: John S. Ellis, Orrin P. Jackson, Harry E. Rice, Carl W. Skinner, Thomas Davies, Wm. N. Deller, John H. Eber, and at the same time and place, assisted by Elders, I ordained as Elders: John N. Oakley, Fred Rawlinson, and J. D. Stevens.

Yankton, S. D., October 13, 1912.

NAPHTALI LUCCOCK,
Presiding Bishop.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline?

Yes.

2. Who have been received by Transfer, and from What Conferences?

J. B. Dibble, from North Nebraska Conference; Geo. M. Richmond, from the California Conference; A. M. Lott, from the Des Moines Conference; Wm. G. Seaman, from the New England Conference; E. A. Bennett, from the Northwest Iowa Conference; F. F. Lewis, from the Indiana Conference; C. E. Matteson, from the Northwest Iowa Conference.

3. Who have been Readmitted?

G. N. Gage, (Located Erie Conference 1908.)

4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?

None.

5. (a) Who have been Received on Trial?

(a) In studies of the first year.

Samuel Marble, Chas. E. McDonald, Evan L. Lovett, C. B. Dennison, Jos. H. James, Fay L. Leavit, W. H. Evans.

(b) In studies of the third year.

John H. Ebert.

6. Who have been Continued on Trial?

(a) In studies of the first year.

Ralph Howell, Arthur H. Beardsley, Nels A. Christianson, Walter J. McClarinon, Edy T. Underwood, Thos. W. Bradley.

(b) In Studies of second year.

Geo. H. Book, Peter V. Brethorst, Anthony L. Wilson, Frank Tanner, Ernest Redmayne, John W. Hartley.

(c) In studies of third year.

Wm. N. Deller.

(d) In studies of fourth year.

W. J. Dudgeon.

- 6. Who have been Discontinued?**
Chas. D. Bullock.
- 8. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?**
(a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year.
John S. Ellis, Orrin P. Jackson, Harry E. Rice, Carl W. Skinner, Thos. Davies.
(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons Previously
None
- 9 What Members are in Studies of Third Year?**
(a) Admitted into full membership this year.
John S. Ellis, Orrin P. Jackson, Harry E. Rice, Carl W. Skinner.
(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
John L. Walsh, Leroy W. Darling, Fernando C. Page, Fred H. Ray, Perley H. Weston, J. Clarence Greene, John D. Evans.
- 10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?**
Thomas Davies, Maurice T. Habgood, Ernest E. Vernon, Arthur J. Hoyer, L. A. McDonald, Geo. T. Mathews.
- 11. What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?**
(a) Elected and ordained Elders this year.
John N. Oakley, Fred Rawlinson, J. D. Stevens.
(b) Elected and ordained Elders previously.
None.
- 12. What others have Elected and Ordained Deacons?**
(a) Local Deacons.
Wm. N. Deller.
(b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.
(c) Under Seminary Rule.
John H. Ebert.
- 13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?**
(a) Local Elders.
None.
(b) Under Missionary Rule.
None.

(c) Under Seminary Rule.

None.

14. Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?

This was strictly done in open conference.

15. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?

A. C. Shepherd, to California Conference; A. D. Thibodeau to Rock River Conference; S. F. Kerfoot to Minnesota Conference; John Hall to Minnesota Conference; D. W. Moore, to Oregon Conference; C. H. Bryan to Oregon Conference; A. B. Whitmer to Nebraska Conference; H. C. Burrows, to Idaho Conference; J. H. Brown, to North Dakota Conference; A. Ronshousen, to Minnesota Conference; E. R. Little, to West Wisconsin Conference; J. N. Greene, to Indiana Conference; A. L. Cathers, to Idaho Conference; C. L. Fillebrown, to Northwest Iowa Conference; H. C. Riley, to Northwest Iowa Conference.

16. Who have Died?

None.

17. Who have been Located at their Own Request?

H. I. Farr, Chas. B. Thomas.

18. Who have been Located?

C. E. Logsdon, I. B. Sevy.

19. Who have withdrawn?

None.

20. Who have been permitted to withdraw under Charges or Complaints?

None.

21. Who have been Expelled?

None.

22. What other personal notation should be made?

Jas. H. James' credentials from the Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America were recognized as Deacon's Orders and he was received on trial in studies of the first year.

23. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

A. M. Ward (1909), J. R. Payne, (1910), W. J. Douglas (1912), W. I. Graham (1910), J. E. Norwell (1912.)

24. Who are the Retired Members?

Lewis Hartsough, F. J. Norton, J. G. Hall, D. W. Chamberlain, O. A. Phillips, T. H. Youngman, H. M. Springer, Thomas Wilkinson, A. Jamieson, A. E. Tanner, W. O. Gram, G. J. Corwin, Duane Rifenbark, Thos. Simmons, E. E. Dean.

- 24. Who are the Triers of Appeals?**
J. A. Willey, W. A. Wilkinson, J. W. Potter, J. P. Jenkins,
R. E. Tarleton.
- 26. What is the Statistical Report for this year?**
(See report.)
- 27. What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered
by the Geenal Conference as reported by the Conference
Treas.**
\$29,642.00.
- 28. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?**
\$7000.00.
- 29. What has been Received on these Claims and how has it been
Applied?**
\$5987.00.
(See report of Board of Stewards.)
- 31. What is the Amount of the Five Per Cent of Collections for
the Conference Claimants' Connectional Fund paid by the
Treaseurer to the Board of Conference Claimants?**
\$119.00.
- 31. Where are the Preachers Stationed?**
(See List of Appointments.)
- 32. Where shall the Next Conference be held?**
The place was left to be fixed by the District Superintendents.

APPOINTMENTS

Bishop Naphtali Luccock, Helena, Montana, Presiding

(Supplies enclosed in brackets)

ABERDEEN DISTRICT

3.—James S. Harkness, District Superintendent, Aberdeen District

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| 2 Aberdeen, O. W. Taylor. | 4 Groton, S. E. Brown. |
| 3 Andover, Fred E. Morrison | 1 Hecla, F. B. Dunn |
| 3 Ashton, E. E. Vernon | 2 Langford, M. T. Habgood. |
| 1 Big Stone City, (Duane Rif-
enbark.) | 1 Leola, (H. K. Cornish) |
| 1 Bath and Putney, I. W. Ellis. | 4 Mellette, J. S. Ellis. |
| 3 Bowdle, J. E. McKinney | 1 Milbank, J. M. Tibbetts. |
| 2 Britton, Albert Hartt. | 4 Northville, J. M. Hunter. |
| 1 Bristol, F. C. Page | 1 Redfield, Ernest Holgate. |
| 1 Claremont, J. F. Franklin | 2 Selby, J. A. Willey. |
| 3 Conde, W. D. Deeble | 5 Sisseton, R. C. Shearer. |
| 1 Cresbard, (J. E. Reynolds.) | 2 Westport, (E. F. Harold.) |
| 1 Corona, E. Redmayne. | 1 White Rock, Thomas Davies. |
| 11 Devoe, F. L. Bromaghim. | 3 Webster, M. R. Crisp. |
| 1 Fredrick, A. M. Lott | 2 Waubay, (L. F. Brown.) |

HURON DISTRICT

3.—G. T. Notson, District Superintendent, Huron, S. D.

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| Agar and Gorman, To be sup-
plied. | 3 Lane and Viola, E. O. Mache-
mer. |
| 3 Alpena, M. E. Nickerson. | 2 Miller, John H. Kearton. |
| 1 Artesian, A. J. Hoyer. | 1 Okobojo Circuit, (George H.
Quayle.) |
| 1 Blunt and Harrold, F. F.
Leavit. | 2 Pearl Creek and Cavour, (B.
F. Stiles.) |
| 1 Burdette, G. T. Matthews. | 1 Pierre, W. A. Wilkinson. |
| 1 Broadland, R. N. Kratz. | 1 Rockham and Miranda, Evan
F. Lovett. |
| 2 Carpenter, N. P. Johnson. | 1 Roswell, S. F. Spitz. |
| 1 Chapelle Circuit, (George H.
Quayle) | Seneca, To be supplied. |
| 2 Esmond, W. H. Evans. | 2 St. Lawrence, J. L. Walsh. |
| 2 Faulkton, C. E. Wilcox. | 1 Tulare, J. D. Stevens. |
| 1 Gettysburg, John T. Brabner
Smith. | 3 Wessington Springs, I. M.
Hargett. |
| 2 Highmore, L. A. McDonald. | 1 Wessington, C. E. McDonald. |
| 1 Hitchcock, J. D. Evans. | 1 Wolsey, S. W. Marble. |
| 1 Huron, G. M. Richmond. | 2 Woonsocket, J. G. Gibson. |
| 2 Iroquois, John Clayton. | |

MITCHELL DISTRICT

3.—W. S. Shepherd, District Superintendent, Mitchell, S. D.

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| 2 Alexandria, P. O. Bunt. | 1 Kimball, (T. J. Black.) |
| 1 Armour, (Marion Sunderlin) | Mellette County Mission, To be
supplied. |
| 1 Letcher, E. E. Holmes. | |

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| 1 | Bridgewater, (W. J. Sherman.) | 2 | McClure Circuit, J. T. Gurney. |
| | Carter Circuit, To be supplied. | 5 | Mitchell, J. S. Hoagland. |
| 4 | Chamberlain, E. V. Fisher. | 3 | Mt. Vernon, (W. N. Potter.) |
| 1 | Colome, Joseph H. James. | 4 | Murdo, C. B. Harrold. |
| 1 | Dallas, R. J. Aitcheson. | 3 | Plankinton, W. E. Gale. |
| 2 | Danton Circuit, (P. O. Mills-
boro), C. M. Stebbins. | 2 | Platte, T. H. Trevithick. |
| | Dudley, To be supplied. | 1 | Presho, (George Gordon.) |
| 1 | Ethan, (C. O. Bigger.) | 1 | Pukwana and Bijou Hills,
(Myron Redfield.) |
| 1 | Fairfax, St. Charles and Her-
rick, J. W. Lucas. | 1 | Springfield, T. W. Bradley. |
| 3 | Farmer, W. J. McClarinon. | 3 | Tripp, W. O. Redfield. |
| 4 | Fulton, G. D. Egner. | 1 | Tyndall, S. H. Shurtleff. |
| 2 | Geddes, W. A. Greene. | 2 | Vivian and Draper, S. M.
Howell. |
| 5 | Gregory, W. T. Ferguson. | 3 | Wagner, E. T. Underwood. |
| 1 | Iona and Hamil, (Herbert
Pollard.) | 1 | White Lake, R. B. Hughes. |
| | Kennebec, To be supplied. | 2 | Winner, U. S. Crowder. |

SIoux FALLS DISTRICT

1.—G. W. Rosenberry, District Superintendent, Sioux Falls, S. D.

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| 1 | Alcester, (H. D. Seastrand) | 2 | Hudson, Arthur Pitman. |
| 2 | Beresford, G. D. Brown. | 3 | Hurley, W. S. Rowden. |
| 1 | Canistota, I. P. Potter. | 1 | Lennox, A. H. Beardsley. |
| 2 | Canton, E. E. Hunt. | 1 | Montrose, (Harry B. Nash.) |
| 1 | Centerville, (J. R. Krins.) | 3 | Parker, H. P. Eberhart. |
| 1 | Colton, (P. I. King.) | 2 | Salem, Paul Gardner. |
| 3 | Davis, G. H. Book. | 1 | Scotland, John Kaye. |
| 2 | Dell Rapids, A. P. Janes. | | Sioux Falls. |
| 1 | Egan, O. M. Hyde. | 2 | First Church, J. W. Potter. |
| 3 | Elk Point, H. E. Rice. | 1 | Jordan Church, J. B. Dibble. |
| 3 | Garretson, P. V. Brethorst. | 2 | Valley Springs, G. W. Gage. |
| 2 | Gayville, C. H. Graf. | 2 | Vermillion, T. B. Wilber. |
| 1 | Harrisburg, O. P. Jackson. | 4 | Wakonda, E. E. Saxton. |
| 3 | Hartford, Wm. N. Deller. | 1 | Yankton, W. A. Black. |

WATERTOWN DISTRICT

3.—Orien E. Boyce, District Superintendent, Watertown, S. D.

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| 3 | Arlington, R. E. Tarlton. | 1 | Garden City, R. G. Minkler. |
| 1 | Bradley, W. J. Dudgeon. | 1 | Gary, Fred Rawlinson. |
| 1 | Brookings, Robert A. Bruce. | 2 | Hazel and Thomas, B. W. Mc-
Eldowney. |
| 2 | Bruce, Frank Tanner. | 2 | Henry, Fred Ray. |
| | Castlewood, To be supplied. | 1 | Howard, A. S. Loveall. |
| 1 | Clark, L. L. Layne. | 1 | Junius, John Ebert. |
| 1 | Clear Lake, John Wood. | 1 | Lake Preston, E. A. Bennett. |
| 1 | Chester, C. B. Dennnison. | 2 | Madison, A. E. Buriff. |
| 1 | Colman, Carl Skinner. | 1 | Oldham, A. L. Wilson. |
| 1 | De Smet, John Oakley. | 18 | Riverview and Spring Creek,
(D. C. Armes.) |
| 1 | Doland, L. W. Darling. | 1 | Watertown, Franklin F. Lewis |
| 4 | Elkton, To be supplied. | 1 | White, H. C. Ozanne |
| 2 | Florence, D. C. Radcliffe. | | |
| 2 | Frankfort, C. C. Boslaugh. | | |
| 5 | Flandreau, A. W. Thurston. | | |

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Thomas Nicholson, Secretary of the Board of Education, New York City, Member of Mitchell Quarterly Conference.

William Grant Seaman, President Dakota Wesleyan University; John L. Seaton, Samuel Weir, Professors of Dakota Wesleyan University; J. P. Jenkins, Field Secretary of Dakota Wesleyan University; C. V. Gilliland, President of Carleton College, Farnington, Mo.; C. B. Clark, Chaplain Battle Mountain Soldiers Sanitarium, Hot Springs, South Dakota; Louis L. Lane, Conference Sunday School Missionary; J. E. Crowther, Department Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions; A. E. Carhart, Treasurer Conference Claimants Endowment Fund; J. O. Dobson, Endowment Commissioner, Cornell College, members of Mitchell Quarterly Conference.

W. J. Calfee and Nels Fanebust, Conference Evangelists, members of First Church, Sioux Falls, Quarterly Conference.

A. C. MacLean, Conference Evangelist, member of Arlington Quarterly conference.

O. W. Butterfield, Conference Temperance Agent, member of Miller Quarterly conference.

C. E. Hager, C. E. Matteson, P. H. McBeth, W. E. Hartung, J. W. Hartley, Fred E. White, P. H. Weston, Missionaries to Black Hills.

A. E. Hocking, C. D. Lockridge, N. F. Sanderson, J. Clarence Greene, N. A. Christianson, D. I. Roush, left without appointment to attend school.

LAYMAN'S ASSOCIATION

The Methodist Layman's Association of the Dakota Conference held their annual session at Yankton, Saturday, October 12th. The attendance was not very large but great interest was manifested in the meeting, and the printed program was carried out as published.

The meeting was called to order by the Secretary, Mr. A. T. Downey, as the President of the association, Mrs. F. F. Grant was out of the city. Mr. H. G. Tilton of Vermillion was elected as chairman for the day.

After a brief prayer service, the first number on the program was a discussion on the topic of "The Duty of Christian People in Relation to Law Enforcement," by H. G. Tilton. Mr. Tilton made a very able and timely address on this important topic. This was followed by a general discussion of this topic, in which a number participated.

A paper on "The Social Activities of the Church," written by Mrs. L. R. Erskine was then read by Mrs. A. T. Downey, as Mrs. Erskine was unable to be present. This paper was discussed at considerable length, and at the close of the discussion on this subject, the resolution was adopted that a committee be appointed to devise plans by which the village and the country churches might make themselves more fully felt as social centers in their respective communities. The appointment of this committee was left to the President to be elected, and this committee was to report at the next meeting of the Layman's Association.

Honorable John D. Deetz being unable to appear on the program, the next number was an address by Dr. W. G. Seaman, recently elected President of Dakota Wesleyan. President Seaman's address was very timely, filled with a Christian spirit, and much appreciated by the association.

Before adjournment for noon, the chairman announced the following committees:

On Nominations—Wm. Carpenter, Andover, S. D.; D. Montgomery, Huron, S. D.

On Resolutions—Mrs. J. S. Foster, Huron, S. D.; F. E. VanDeMark, Hartford, S. D.; A. N. Daly, Watertown, S. D.; Mrs. A. T. Downey, Mitchell, S. D.

On Dakota Wesleyan—W. W. Saunders, Garretson, S. D.; Dr. B. A. Bobb, Mitchell, S. D.; A. M. Daley, Watertown, S. D.; Wm. Carpenter, Andover, S. D.

Afternoon Session

Mr. Gifford Bice, Sr., of Yankton, presented a very important paper on the subject of "The Sunday-school the Life of the Church." This paper elicited a good deal of discussion, and it was moved and carried that the paper be published in the "Northwestern Advocate."

Prof. S. D. van Benthuyzen of Mitchell presented an important paper on "Business in the Church," which was followed by a discussion in which, at least, ten persons participated.

It being impossible for the Bishop to appear at the afternoon session, the business of the association was then taken up.

The minutes of the meeting of 1911 were read, together with the financial report, and a collection was taken to defray the expenses for the coming year. The collection amounted to \$5.45.

The committee on nominations reported as follows:

For President—J. M. Johnston, Bradley, S. D.

For Vice Presidents—J. H. Hetley, Webster, S. D., Aberdeen District; D. Montgomery, Huron, S. D., Huron District; F. E. Van Demark, Hartford, S. D., Sioux Falls District; Dr. C. V. Fox, Westington Springs, S. D., Mitchell District; Mrs. A. J. Riske, Doland, S. D., Watertown District.

For Secretary and Treasurer—A. T. Downey, Mitchell, S. D.

By an unanimous vote, the rules were suspended, and the Secretary authorized to cast a ballot for the names as above stated, which was done.

Whereas, the Layman's Conference in annual session assembled, appreciating the hospitality of the people and also the granting of the free use of the buildings for the purpose of our program, be it resolved

1. That we extend to the Secretary, our appreciation of the work involved in preparing the most excellent program that has been presented this year, and

2. That we extend to those taking part on the program our hearty thanks for the same, and

3. That we extend to the people of Yankton, our grateful appreciation of their cordiality and Christian fellowship, and

4. That it is the sense of the Laymen's Association that all christian people should stand together for law enforcement, and that in the exercise of the franchise, they should endeavor to select honest officials rather than to vote for a party ticket, and

5. That a committee of three be appointed to suggest to the Layman's Association at its next meeting a plan whereby the country and village churches may enlarge the scope of their social activities.

Signed by the Committee.

The committee on Dakota Wesleyan presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Whereas, Christian Education is as necessary for the Kingdom of God, and the growth of the church as at any pervious period, and

Whereas; Dakota Wesleyan is the only institution of Methodism in the Dakota Conference or through the state, and

Whereas; Dakota Wesleyan University represents an investment of over \$400,000, and a yearly budget of \$50,000; a faculty of 23 Christian men and women; a student body last year of over 500;

standards of scholarship equal to the highest in the middle west; new buildings and equipment which offer facilities for the very highest and most modern college work, and

Whereas; Every institution has its chief asset in the confidence of its constituency, and

Whereas; The campaign for the \$3,000,000 new building and endowment fund has been practically closed, the last \$10,000 being largely met by pledges by ministers during this annual conference.

Therefore:—Be it resolved, that the Sunday preceeding Thanksgiving day of each year, be made Dakota Wesleyan Day; That as layman, we heartily endorse the action of the ministers in guaranteeing an amount of fifty cents per member and recommend equal attention to the collection of the same.

After four years of conspicuous success as President of Dakota Wesleyan University, Dr. S. F. Kerfoot left us about the middle of July, to take the Presidency of Hamline University, his Alma Mater; and, while we deeply regret his departure from us, and while we greatly appreciated his labors and fellowship here, he being largely instrumental in raising the \$300,000 fund, still we feel and know that he will be as greatly appreciated in his new field, and we only bespeak for him, God's speed, in these, his new labors.

We also desire to express our gratitude and appreciation of the great work done by Dr. J. P. Jenkins as financial Secretary for Dakota Wesleyan University.

We welcome William Grant Seaman, Ph. D., the new President of Dakota Wesleyan University, who, although he has been with us but a month, has greatly endeared himself to those with whom he has come in contact.

On motion Layman's Association adjourned.

A. T. Downey, Sec.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

ABERDEEN DISTRICT

James S. Harkness, District Superintendent

The year commenced with 31 pastors on the Aberdeen District, five of whom were supplies. All have remained faithfully at their posts of duty during the year except Rev. D. I. Roush who was relieved from his work in June that he might go abroad for study. The Redfield church was supplied for the months of June and August by neighboring pastors and during September by J. L. Seaton greatly to the delight of the charge.

Aberdeen District has had a prosperous year, notwithstanding the adverse conditions that prevailed over the entire district during the early part of the year. The bountiful harvest has put new courage and hope in the people. The difficulty of securing suitable pastors for our smaller charges however, is rapidly increasing. This has always been a problem, but now it has become a crisis. Every other denomination through its Home Missionary Society, will put nearly, if not quite, dollar for dollar into its smaller and weaker churches, while we have only a trifle to aid in these fields. Unless we have aid, numbers of our churches will be blotted from the map of Methodism. This condition is brought about largely by our foreign, together with our shifting population.

There has been a substantial increase in church membership during the year notwithstanding the loss occasioned by removals. For example our church reported last year 610 members, there have been 111 accessions during the year and yet the present membership is only 569. Twenty-eight were granted certificates and 12 removed without certificate. And yet in spite of these formidable hinderances, the churches, even the smallest have never been served by such faithful pastors and able preachers as during the past year. Our ministers are recognizing the work to be done and doing it like men divinely inspired. They are not asking, "Can the church support me?" but "Am I sufficient for this task?" "Can I bring help and comfort to this needy and in some cases perishing people?"

Under such conditions it is no wonder there are victories to be recounted, but sacrifices have been made to win them. To speak of the faith of the pastors and their wives, their courage and tact, to tell how they have wrought wonders in moving mountains of

difficulty and accomplishing things seemingly impossible is the crowning joy of the district superintendent.

The officary of the local churches is still the delight and also, in a few cases, the despair of the work. Christ said, "I will so build my church that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." The most of these officials are proving this saying true. Against this splendid solidarity, surges of difficulty and assault beat vehemently, and yet are as impotent as foam against a granite ledge. Supported and buttressed by such a body of men, the pastor could be nothing but a success, unless he be a genius at failure. Thank God for our consecrated officials.

The amount paid for ministerial support is very creditable to the charges, when existing conditions are really known. The district leads all others in the conference, in the amount contributed per member for ministerial support while it also exceeds all others in the amount of indebtedness on church property.

One of the great tasks of every pastor is to find and train suitable leaders in each department of the church work and life. Several charges have adopted better financial systems, to their own real benefit in every case, and others are planning to do so next year. In a number of cases the financial plan for the new year is already in operation. This reform is fundamental, for until the worry and friction of poor financial methods are removed neither preachers nor people can do their best. And just here I want to record my conviction, that a better financial method of raising money, to say nothing of a sacrifice in the other homes of the church equal to that in the parsonage, would solve the whole question of pastoral support in all our churches.

Our offerings for benevolences will show a decided gain for every cause. Where they have been inspirationally presented, and an individual canvas made, there has, in general, been a generous response.

It is to be noticed that some churches heavily burdened are the very ones that have made an increase in their benevolent offerings. Some of our churches and Epworth Leagues have made contributions for special work where no credit will be given.

The Sunday School is still claiming the best thought of the church. In these days of new methods of teaching and of trained teachers, the great problem before the Sunday School is to find men and women who know God, know His word, and at the same time know how to impart this knowledge. The Sunday school cannot afford to have teachers who will not compare favorably with the trained teachers of our public schools. Rally and Decision Day are growing in favor in our schools. In many of our best schools Decision Day has come to be a time to which both officers and teachers look forward with the greatest hopefulness and most painstaking care, the day on which the fruits of the year's teaching shall be

gathered in. Wisely directed efforts on Devision Day are yielding splendid results for the church of God.

About one half our Epworth Leagues have had a resurrection of glorious life, the rest linger in their tomb of spiritual death but will I trust some day hear the inspiring call and awake to their own splendid possibilities. The Juniors are continuing in their own hopeful and helpful way. The great need of this work in some of our churches, is a common sense, consecrated leadership.

Special work for men and boys is receiving more and more careful consideration. The experimental stage of this work has now passed, and the real, serious, painstaking and tireless effort is just beginning most hopefully. Several of our pastors are winning splendid victories with their men and boys.

The Ladies' Aid Societies have been, as ever, an indispensable factor in the life and success of the churches. Woman's work has always been most successful. Whether in the home or foreign fields or as the Ladies' Aid for the local church, their work is a surprise and their reports are an unfulfilling joy to hear.

These good women are tireless in their efforts and rarely if ever discouraged. For them there is no burden too heavy, there is no problem too hard, there is no demand too great. Not only, are they always in evidence where there is money to be raised, and work to be done, but, they will call upon the sick, visit the stranger, instruct the inquiring, pray with the penitent and sympathize with the sorrowing.

Something has been done during the past year in improving church property at Milbank, Sisseton, Webster, Waubay, Corona, Andover, Britton, Bristol and Ashton. Langford church is being thoroughly renovated, new roof, interior decorations, electric lights, furnace and painting.

Groton dedicated her new church costing \$15,000.00, a substantial and well-arranged edifice, nicely finished, which stands as a monument of the able leadership of the pastor, S. E. Brown, and his splendid Official Board.

The church at Mellette was destroyed by fire during the winter, resulting from a defective furnace. The church was at the time of the loss in the best spiritual condition of years. Undaunted by the loss and inspired by the optimism and leadership of Wm. Albee, a splendid edifice, costing \$7,000.00 has been completed and will be dedicated this month. Much credit is due the much loved and faithful pastor, J. S. Ellis, and his official board.

Our church at Detroit was destroyed by a tornado and while it had been used very irregularly during recent years, an effort is being made to have it replaced with a new building.

While the pastors of the district have been building churches and beautifying their houses of worship, paying their debts and

taking collections, they have also been doing something far better. They have been seeking in the spirit of the Master to save that which was lost. In varied ways, sometimes with an evangelist, oftener without, sometimes in union services, oftener in their own services, with special meetings, and with personal effort without special meetings, the work has been carried on. The results can be known only in part. There can be no complete tabulation of spiritual results. Special meetings were held at Florence, Bradley, Conde, Ashton, Northville, Cresbard, Hecla, Westport, Frederick, Claremont, Langford, Groton, Bristol, Webster, Corona, Sisseton and White Rock.

A District Conference was held at Groton which proved to be inspirational and helpful. The papers and addresses were of a very high order. I wish to express my appreciation of the valuable service rendered to the district by the helpful visits of Dr. J. P. Jenkins, Field Secretary of Dakota Wesleyan. For the helpful and hearty cooperation I have have received, I am under obligation to every one with whom I have labored and for the health and strength that has enabled me to meet all appointments during the year, we acknowledge the hand and providence of Almighty God. Concerning our pastors, they are a consecrated and efficient body of men. No statistical exhibit can express the work they have done and there must be much credit in the records of heaven for some who have least to show in the conference reports. Their treatment of myself has been without exception gracious. So much for the brief and imperfect retrospect.

The year with its success and its failures is ended. Some things have been accomplished and the way has been opened for far greater things to be done. The great need of the district is a wide-spread revival of religion. We are praying for a revival that will produce workers, and will actuate the church to doing things like raising benevolences and paying salaries, helping the needy and bringing the lost to Christ and doing it all cheerfully—a revival that will not only make men pray “they kingdom come” but will put them to work and hasten the coming.

“Forgetting those things which are behind, let us reach forth unto those things which are before.”

The record of the year shows that even in Dakota the gospel is still “the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.” The fathers won on this field every whit as difficult as now. They won because they believed in Jesus Christ and perached Him, preached Him as the only Saviour from sin. And their sons are wining today on this same field, because they believe in this same Jesus, and preach this same gospel with the old-time faith and new power. The signs of the times are big with hope. Faith is regnant. The swing of conquest is in the air. The spirit of evangelism is abroad in the church. God hasten the day when it shall dominate all hearts, and go forth to the coronation of the King.

HURON DISTRICT

G. T. Notson, District Superintendent

At the close of the Conference session at Aberdeen, three of the smaller charges were left to be supplied. Gorman was assigned to the care of R. A. Bruce, pastor of Gettysburg; Okobojo circuit was placed in charge of George H. Quayle, and later Samuel W. Marble was appointed to Agar. All of the above work has been organized or resumed, after years of abandonment, during the past two years. Flourishing classes have been organized at Gorman, Agar, DeGrey and Giddings. The developments of the year will justify a re-adjustment of the work in the western part of the district and Agar and Gorman will appear as one charge, while the appointments at Bethel, DeGrey and Giddings will constitute a circuit south of Blunt.

Several changes have occurred in the personnel of the District. The supply in charge of Broadland was relieved April 1st and Jens Jensen, one of our capable young men attending Dakota Wesleyan University, has served the charge the past six months. In June, as a result of the transfer of Dr. A. C. Shepherd to the California Conference and the appointment of the Rev. Geo. W. Rosenberry as superintendent of the Sioux Falls District, the Rev. George M. Richmond of Oroville, Calif., became the pastor at Huron, where he has been cordially received and where his ministry has already met with high favor.

On September 1st, the Rev. Asa D. Thibodeau was transferred to the Rock River Conference, leaving the pulpit of First Church, Pierre, vacant for the remaining weeks of the Conference year. With one other exception, notwithstanding the trying times, as a result of the general business depression, each pastor has remained upon his charge and earnestly endeavored to care for the work assigned to him.

Some gracious revivals have been held on the district. Westington Springs, Lane and Viola, Hitchcock, Tulare, St. Lawrence, Orient, Gettysburg, Pierre, Edwin Appointment, Highmore, and Giddings were all visited by a gracious out-pouring of the Holy Spirit and the conversion of a goodly number was reported in each meeting. Earnest efforts were put forth at several other points to promote a revival without visible results. Nevertheless we believe much good was done. The results, however, are far from satisfactory, and reveal the need of a renewal of evangelistic zeal among our ministry and laity. Without a passion for soul-saving on the part of our ministry, there will continue to be a manifest decline in the spiritual life of the Church. We are praying and planning for a persistent and continuous revival campaign the coming year upon the Huron District.

The second annual Camp-Meeting under the auspices of the Huron District Camp-Meeting Association, was held at St. Law-

rence July 11-21. We were highly favored by the presence and ministry of our presiding Bishop for the first three days of the session, who by his addresses and sermons inspired all who were privileged to hear him with higher ideals and a deeper consecration in the Christian life. Dr. John S. Hoagland, followed as the evangelist for the last week of the meeting and rendered an inspiring and helpful service to the ministers and laity who were in attendance in large numbers. The future of the Camp-Meeting was assured by raising an amount sufficient to cover the outlay for the grounds, which were purchased one year ago. The invaluable assistance of Dr. J. P. Jenkins, who led the raising of the \$2000 necessary to provide for all obligations, including the purchase of the grounds, is gratefully acknowledged.

The District Epworth League Convention and the Sunday School rally held in connection with the Camp-Meeting were distinct and helpful features of the session.

Early in the year, the Rockwood church, located near Hitchcock, was purchased of the Evangelical Association and a class has been organized, thereby providing a permanent and prosperous out-appointment for that charge. On Sunday, March 10th, 1912, under the leadership of Dr. Thomas C. Iliff, the beautiful new brick church at Gettysburg was successfully dedicated. Eight thousand five hundred dollars were needed to provide for all indebtedness. This amount, with an additional subscription of \$3,000 was raised to provide for the erection of a modern parsonage. The failure of crops in that section of the district has deterred the carrying out of the plans of this enterprising people for the present. Meanwhile, they worship in their own new church home, conservatively valued at \$18,000. The erection of the church at Gettysburg, with the doubling of the membership and the enlargement of the Sunday School, marks the pastorate of R. A. Bruce as a conspicuous success. A desirable parsonage property has been purchased at Lane, costing \$1,600. Our church property at Miller has been improved and new seats provided for the auditorium, at a cost of \$400. The parsonage has also been painted. The Ladies Aid Society at Woonsocket has spent \$600 in improving the parsonage, making it one of the most desirable parsonages in the District. The church at Pierre is in the midst of a supreme struggle to conserve their resources and provide, as far as possible, for the great debt incurred erecting their church property. A more noble and self-sacrificing people can not be found anywhere than the membership of the Capital City Church. The re-action which has been experienced in business activities everywhere is felt very keenly at Pierre and adds to the gravity of the situation in caring for this enterprise. Under the leadership of J. T. Brabner Smith the indebtedness on our church properties at Blunt and Harrold has been reduced seven thousand dollars. The entire indebtedness of the

church at Huron, which at the beginning of the year amounted to \$1,050 has been paid, except \$200, provided for in a gilt-edged pledge by the Ladies Aid Society of that church. Several hundred dollars have also been spent in improvements.

The work of our women in the Ladies Aid Societies and the Woman's Missionary Societies deserves the highest commendation. Without these organized agencies among the devoted women of our churches, our work would languish in many places.

We have endeavored faithfully to represent all of the benevolent causes. We are persuaded that the New Financial Plan outlined in the Discipline is the only way out in properly presenting these great causes of the Church. Until every pastor is made to feel the necessity of presenting these paramount causes in something more than a perfunctory manner, and the taking of an omnibus collection in the public congregation, the great missionary agencies of the church will be halted by the failure of the people to respond to them. Wherever the "Every Member" canvass has been made under the leadership of the pastor, good results have been realized. With the able assistance of the Rev. Albert A. Parker of Boroda, India, and the Rev. John Z. Mover, of Korea, under the auspices of the Layman's Missionary Movement, a campaign in behalf of the benevolences was carried on early in June. The partial failure of crops throughout a large portion of our territory, has rendered impossible the recovery of the former position of the District in behalf of these causes, much to our regret.

The first annual session of our District Conference convened at Gettysburg, April 2-3. The session was both helpful and satisfactory. Every pastor, excepting three, was in attendance.

With few exceptions, our Sunday Schools report continued growth and increasing efficiency. We are confident the year will show another marked increase in the Sunday School enrollment. The Epworth League in many places shows a renewal of life and power, while the Junior Epworth League has ceased to be a factor in the religious training of the young in a majority of our churches.

A splendid company of our young people are enrolled as students at Dakota Wesleyan University. The indefatigable Field Secretary, Dr. J. P. Jenkins, has visited many of our charges with good results in behalf of our great and growing institution at Mitchell. While sincerely regretting the resignation of Dr. Samuel F. Kerfoot as President of our College, we join in most heartily welcoming as his successor, Dr. William Grant Seaman and pledge him our hearty co-operation for a "Greater Wesleyan."

The year has been a trying one in many respects, yet God has been with us. The people have sacrificed and unselfishly shared with their pastors. In most instances the salaries will be paid in full. Harmony has prevailed between the people and their pastors. In a large majority of cases the return of the pastor is desired. To

emphasize their requests, Carpenter, Highmore, Miller, St. Lawrence, Alpena, Woonsocket, Lane and Wessington Springs have voted increased salaries. Sickness and death have not entered our parsonage homes. For these and many added blessings, with the high privilege of service in His name, we render devout thanks to Our Heavenly Father.

To the District officer the year has been one of continuous toil. We are grateful for the sympathy and co-operation of our Brethren in the work, and for their loyalty and patience with us. To them, and their noble wives, who have made our visits a joy and a pleasure by their many kindnesses, and to a royal company of our laymen who have rendered us many helpful services, we are grateful and everlastingly a debtor. To a good Providence that has guarded and guided our course through the year, we render all praise.

G. T. NOTSON,

District Superintendent.

MITCHELL DISTRICT

W. S. Shepherd, District Superintendent

Bishop Luccock and Brethren:—

During the year just closing Mitchell District has enjoyed a reasonable degree of prosperity in things both material and spiritual. The blessings of Almighty God have been upon us and we have come up to this annual conference to present our reports of the work done and to greet our brethren, anticipating a goodly fellowship one with another and praying for the largest endowment of divine wisdom in working out adjustments for the coming year. At the close of last conference but three places remained to be supplied: Bijou Hills, Colome and Iona. George Gordon, a Dakota Wesleyan student was sent to Bijou Hills and L. F. Woolson to Colome. I. P. Potter, not finding it convenient to move his family to Tyndall was changed to Iona and J. B. Dibble who came back from the North Nebraska conference was sent to Tyndall. This is a marked improvement over last year when there were eight changes on the District.

With few exceptions the health in our parsonage homes has been exceptionally good. Last year six babies were born in our pastors' homes; this year but two; a little girl to Brother and Sister Black and a little boy to Brother and Sister Holmes. A little life appeared one day in the home of Brother and Sister Howell of Vivian, tarried but for a night, and then passed on to the land of endless day. Brother and Sister Bunt of Alexandria mourn the death of their eldest son, Clare, who died very suddenly at Fremont, Neb.. During the year two of our pastors were married, R. B. Hughes of Springfield and C. B. Harrold of Murdo.

Mitchell District still holds its rank as one of the great empires of Methodism, composed of four great counties west of the Missouri river and eight counties of no mean dimensions east of the river. On one trip alone this year in those far regions this district superintendent traveled 940 miles and held sixteen quarterly meetings or quarterly conference services. The development of these new fields has been somewhat retarded by repeated crop failures, yet the people are full of courage and hope for the future and are very loyal to our work. We have in this district 37 charges with a total of 79 preaching places, served by 27 conference members and 10 supplies.

The mid-year meeting of our Ministerial Association was held on the camp grounds of the state Holiness Association at Mitchell and was conceded by the preachers to be one of the best ever held. Most of the preachers were present and every paper on the program was presented. Special mention must be made of the helpful and inspirational addresses by Drs. Jenkins, Seaton, Weir and Fowler.

In material improvements our district does not lag. The building of new churches, the improvement of old churches and parsonages, the payment of old debts and new enterprises now on hand will easily aggregate \$12,000. We are just now finishing a large, thoroughly equipped, commodious church at Winner in Tripp county, one of the best churches west of the Missouri. At Mt. Vernon the old church was practically rebuilt and remodelled throughout at a cost of \$3,000, giving that place now a church and parsonage property worth \$8000. At Tyndall the old tumble down parsonage has been supplanted with a modern up-to-date nine room concrete building with all the conveniences at a cost of \$3500. The church at Colome was seated with 150 chairs, and a new four room parsonage and a new barn built. Platte added a large kitchen to their parsonage. Dallas bought a new five room parsonage. Scotland built a new barn worth \$400.

The importance of our denominational literature is being emphasized and with the reduced price of our church papers I am sure we are on the eve of a forward movement in the number of periodicals taken. By calling attention to this fact in several quarterly conferences official members have handed in their subscriptions before adjournment. There are 234 Northwestern Christian Advocates taken and 178 Epworth Heralds.

There are 74 Sunday schools on the district with an enrollment of 5426 and an average attendance of 3912. They are practically all supplied with the literature authorized by the church. There are 21 Epworth Leagues with a membership of 621, and 11 Junior Leagues with 248 members. We cannot yet report a district Epworth League organization but we promise here and now to make such a report at the next conference. There are 35 Ladies' Aid societies with a membership of 1390, whose earnings this year aggregate the splendid sum of \$13,020. We have 12 auxiliaries of the

W. F. M. S. which have sent out this year \$1331. A few auxiliaries of the W. H. M. S. have been organized and we are ready for aggressive work along this line.

Benevolences—The pastors have been urged to use all diligence in looking after the great benevolent interests of the church and with a few exceptions have done faithful work. During the year the people felt the pinch resulting from last year's crop's failure and this interfered seriously in gathering in the benevolences. The total for all benevolences aggregates about \$10,000.

Evangelism.—In the number of conversions and accessions our record far exceeds that of last year. Revival meetings were held on nearly all charges and with very fruitful results in Mitchell, Murdo and Dallas where the pastors conducted their own meetings; at Wagner where evangelists Bromley and Myers held a tabernacle meeting; at Alexandria where the pastor was assisted by Rev. J. M. Tibbets; at Plankinton where evangelist Erickson did good work, and at Colome, Gregory and Fairfax where conference evangelist Fanebust and his corps of workers brought spiritual quickening to the churches. Charges reporting the largest number of conversions: Wagner, 89; Alexandria, 80; Mitchell, 60; Gregory, 45; Murdo, 30; Dallas, 20; Tripp, 12; Ethan 11; Prescho and Fairfax, 10 each. Charges with largest number of accessions; Mitchell, 149; Wagner, 99; Dallas, 60; Murdo, 40; Alexandria, 39; Gregory, 34; Geddes, 30; Prescho, 18; Colome, 19; Ethan, 17; Platte, Fairfax and Tripp, 16 each; Plankinton and Winner, 10 each. Total number of conversions for the district, 512. Total number of accessions, 716.

Dakota Wesleyan University.—This school has had a good year notwithstanding poor crops one year ago and the loss of our President Dr. Kerfoot, who left us about the middle of July to enter upon the presidency of Hamline University, his alma mater. The enrollment aggregated 429 different students and the attendance at the summer school exceeded that of previous years and the session was considered by far the best ever held. The new building and endowment campaign for \$300,000 has been quietly but steadily pushed by the field secretary and to date there is lacking but \$10,000 of realizing the entire amount. Science Hall was dedicated last June and is now in use from basement to third story. This fine commodious up-to-date building with equipment and furnishings cost \$90,000. Quite extensive changes have also been made in college hall. The old chapel is now a very satisfactory library and reading room. The general congestion of this building for so many years which has made the work of teachers and students the more difficult has been entirely removed and accommodations for the present are quite ample. If the collections on outstanding notes due Nov 1st are satisfactory the contract for the superstructure of gymnasium and social hall will be let this fall with a view to completion and dedication next commencement. For two months between the going of

President Kerfoot and the coming of President Seaman, Dr. J. P. Jenkins was acting president. This took him out of the field entirely as it was a time of important correspondence and much other business pertaining to the new school year demanding his undivided attention in the office. On August 22nd, the Rev. William Grant Seaman, Ph. D., of De Pauw University was unanimously elected president by a specially called meeting of the Board of Directors. A few days later he telegraphed his acceptance and entered upon his work Sept. 18th, giving the opening day address. This was enthusiastically received by all who were privileged to hear it. We all believe President Seaman to be the right man in the right place. Several changes have been made in the faculty. Larger institutions offering greater inducements in salary if not in opportunity tempt some of our men, but we are continually selecting the best men even at the risk of having them stolen from us. Our faculty was never better manned than at present and was never of greater strength scholarastically and religiously measured. The total enrollment thus far this year is 325 as compared with 275 last year at this time. Dakota Wesleyan is alright and should be the object of thought, prayer, and practical consideration by every pastor of Dakota Methodism, for it is preparing scores of our young men and women for the ministry and missionary labors and for Christian work throughout the wide world. Long live Dakota Wesleyan to serve our beloved Church and bless humanity.

In conclusion, I have tried faithfully to perform the duties of a district superintendent as I understand these duties. The consciousness of the mistakes of my administration through a retrospect of the year's work fills me with a sense of deepest humility. With profound gratitude would I make mention of the divine mercies to me. Throughout the year I have enjoyed an abiding sense of His presence as never before. I have never had better health. No time was lost on account of sickness. I have presided in nearly all the quarterly conferences and have held at least three quarterly meeting services at nearly all the preaching places including the outlying points. To do this I have traveled by rail and private conveyance over 16,000 miles. But these items are scarcely worth mentioning. Running thus on errands for my Lord and preaching his everlasting Gospel I count the greatest privilege of my life. I want to assure my preachers that their interests have ever been upon my soul in prayer. There is no fellowship like that of the Christian ministry. Thanking my brethren in the ministry and the laity for their unfailing courtesy, their kindly appreciation, and their hearty Christian sympathy I close with this statement:

I love thy Church, O God,
For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend;

To her my cares and toils be given,
Till toils and cares shall end.

SIoux FALLS DISTRICT

A. C. Shepherd, District Superintendent
to June 17, 1912

My Dear Brethren of the Dakota Conference:—

The last Conference closed with a pastor assigned to every charge in the Sioux Falls District and every man has remained faithfully at his post of duty during the first eight months of the Conference year, the first time in the last five years that such a record could be written.

Perhaps the most notable event of the first part of the year was the dedication of the splendid new church at Egan. This occurred on Nov. 12th, the Rev. J. P. Jenkins, D. D., preaching the dedicatory sermon and taking charge of the finances, and besides the great spiritual uplift of the services, \$2700 was raised to cover the indebtedness on the beautiful \$7000 church in which Egan Methodists now worship. Perhaps no human factor has borne a larger part in this magnificent achievement than the wide-awake, aggressive, godly pastor, the Rev. N. A. Christianson.

Following the dedication a revival was held in the new church under direction of Evangelist H. W. Bromley and on the Sunday following the close of the meetings, the Superintendent had the great privilege of administering baptism to nearly one hundred persons, a large part of whom were received into membership in the church. Most of the pastors have been faithful in evangelistic effort and labors and the superintendent has devoted most of the time of the winter to this work, assisting the brethren where he felt that he might be able to do most good.

The Fall Ministerial Meeting was held at Egan, was well attended by the brethren and was one of the most helpful and delightful in spirit of any ever held upon the district. In June a District Epworth League Convention was held at Hurley and a large number of pastors and young people were in attendance. It was deeply spiritual in tone and demonstrated beyond all doubt that the District Epworth League Convention idea should not be abandoned on Sioux Falls District. Pastor W. S. Rowden of Hurley and his consecrated wife deserve much credit for the success of this meeting.

In May while in attendance at the General Conference, at my request, I was transferred to California Conference and appointed to the pastorate at Oroville, transfer to become effective this 17th day of June.

No one will ever know with what apprehensions and sad feel-

ings of heart I have taken this step, being impelled thereto by health reasons. I have lived in what is now South Dakota ever since I was fourteen years old. At that age in the city of Mitchell I was converted and received into the church under the preaching of Dr. C. B. Clark, still an honored member of Dakota Conference. In 1896 I was received as a probationer into the Conference and appointed to Alexandria. The next year my appointment was Madison, then on the Sioux Falls District, and from that time my ministerial life has been spent on this district and I expect to remain steadfast in the faith evermore that it is one of the very best districts in all our world-wide Methodism. I have been rejoiced to see it make substantial progress along all lines during the nearly five years that I have been sub-bishop over it.

The personnel of the pastors, in my judgement, was never of a higher order than at the present time. Never did a district superintendent bequeath a finer body of men to his successor than I do now in handing over the reins of the district to him who has been appointed to take my place and who will most worthily grace this high and honorable office, my friend and brother, the Rev. G. W. Rosenberry.

To separate from these noble men of the district, and others in the Conference, my true comrades of the Cross, with whom I have fellowshiped and labored these many years and whose lives are fairly knit into mine as brothers best beloved, and to sunder all these sacred, tender ties is one of the hardest things I have done in my life. None shall ever know the pain of parting that I suffer as I go believing that He leads and strong in the faith that found glorious expression in these tender lines,

"I know not where His islands lift their fronded palms in air,
I only know I cannot drift beyond His love and care."

Thanking my brethren of the Dakota Conference for their great kindness to me and their confidence in me and the honors that they have conferred upon me and knowing that, "Though sundered far, by faith we meet, Around one common Mercy-Seat," I shall cherish the hope that I shall be remembered and loved by those whom I shall never forget and never cease to love. Praying that the blessings of **the Heavenly Father may abound more and more unto them** I bid farewell and God-speed.

Your brother in Christ,

A. C. SHEPHERD.

G. W. Rosenberry, District Superintendent
From June 17, 1912

Dear Bishop Luccock and Brethren of this Conference:—

In offering this report covering the last third of the year's work

on Sioux Falls District, I appear before you with a spirit of meekness. For the past eleven years the work of this District has gone forward under the wise and careful supervision of brothers **J. P. Jenkins** and **A. C. Shepherd**, and while they have left plenty of tracks everywhere for their successor to follow, yet their pace was so swift and their stride so long that an attempt to follow them for even three months has produced in the reader of this report, "a meek spirit and an humble mind."

Brother A. C. Shepherd, my immediate predecessor, of whom I shall now speak particularly, was indeed a District Superintendent who "studied to show himself approved unto God," and "a workman that needs not be ashamed." He did turn over to me as his successor a District well organized for work and a band of faithful brother ministers as pastors of the churches. We know that it almost broke his heart to leave his work and his brethren here in Dakota Conference and go out among strangers in search of climatic conditions more favorable to his own and his family's health. We pray that God will be with him in his new fields and his labors there as abundantly as they were blessed here in South Dakota. The pastors on this District loved him, and rightly so; the members of Official Boards had confidence both in his intentions and his judgments, and were loath to part with him, but the best of all was the gracious spiritual influence that radiated from his life, causing many another life to glow with a deeper spiritual warmth.

In this gracious atmosphere I have received so cordial a welcome from both pastors and churches that while the duties of the Fourth Quarter have been exacting enough to use every possible moment of time, yet the work has been pleasant, and if I have been able in any way to help further the work of the Kingdom, I am deeply grateful to God for the opportunity.

Perhaps the largest undertaking that has been definitely launched on the District this year is that connected with our First Church at Sioux Falls. Dr. J. W. Potter came to this church as pastor one year ago, and he is already recognized as the ablest preacher in the city. In addition to that, he is also a man of unusual executive ability. Under his aggressive leadership, the Church has come to see the need and the possibility of doing a greater work in the state metropolis, a city that is growing still larger at the present time by leaps and bounds. The plan for larger things embraces an entirely new working plant which will be located on the corner of Spring Avenue and Twelfth Street, and altogether will cost \$90,000. Toward this amount \$45,000 is now secured and \$15,000 additional is in sight. In connection with this property, the best equipped parsonage in the state will be ready for occupancy some time in November. It is hoped also that the basement of the Church will be completed this fall while the main building will be erected next year. Dr. Potter has received 266 new members into his church this year.

Wm. N. Deller, the beloved pastor of the Hartford charge is making a unique record in that he will have taken the subscriptions, collected the same, and built a fine \$3,000 parsonage, all within four months time. Hartford also records 33 conversions during the year and benevolences in all in full.

Sherman is again on the map as a preaching point on the Garretson circuit. E. E. Hunt had charge of the services on reopening day and all necessary funds were raised. P. V. Brethorst, the pastor on this field is one of our most promising young men.

The church at Centerville has been greatly improved with hardwood doors, the pastor, O. P. Jackson, doing most of the work.

Wakonda Methodists are paying all bills on their new church as fast as the pledges fall due; only \$600 remaining to be paid this year. E. E. Saxton is responsible for this, and also has a vision of a new \$50,000 church at Irene, which is greatly needed. We believe he will bring it to pass.

\$100 has been raised at Vermillion for building and improvements and under the supervision of T. B. Wilber, the parsonage has been made a strictly modern and attractive building.

Other churches have made improvements, as follows: Flandreau to the extent of \$343; Valley Springs, \$300; Colton, \$250; Elk Point, \$175; Gayville, \$150; Canistota, \$150; and Parker, Canton and Jordan church at Sioux Falls, \$100.00 each.

As to the very important matter of our great benevolences, Sioux Falls District has no plea of lack of crops on any part of the District. Where there is a shortage in benevolences it will be because God has received no proper part of that which belongs to Him.

My report shows that four charges: Gayville, Garretson, Flandreau and Valley Springs, will give in excess of apportionments. Colton, Dell Rapids, Egan, Hartford, Wakonda and Yankton will be in full, while the others will all be at least three-fourths of apportionment, or more, with the exception of five charges that report one-half of apportionment.

Altogether, we believe this District will not sorely disappoint the expectations of the great Boards of the Church at this time in the amount of benevolent offerings.

The Camp meeting at Canton in August was considered the best ever held at that place. These splendidly equipped grounds are now clear of debt, and the Lord has had the river cut a new channel across the point which it is believed will save the grounds in the future from any overflow, as there has been no water on the grounds since that channel was opened two years ago.

I have received reports of 587 conversions on the District; Egan, 152; First Church, Sioux Falls, 99; Gayville, 35; Hartford, 33; Parker, 30; Flandreau, 28; Hurley, 24; Davis, 23; Canton, 20; Canistota, 17; Colton, 13; Elk Point, 12; Salem, 12; Garretson, 6; Sioux Falls, Pordan, 6. We think the final reports will show an in-

crease of 400 members for the District.

The following churches on the District seem to me to be doing the most effective work in reaching young men and women through organized methods and thus saving them to the church: First Church Sioux Falls, Yankton, Vermillion, Canton, Parker, Gayville, Hartford, Hurley, Egan, Elk Point, Salem, Flandreau and Dell Rapids.

There has been no change in pastors during my short term of service, and with two or three exceptions, every pastor could very acceptably be returned to the same charge for another year.

There are many other things that should be included in this report, such as the splendid work done by the Ladies' Aid and W. F. M. Societies; the need and opportunity for deaconess' work in the District; the need of more systematic work for children through a definitely worked cradle roll plan; the sore need of more pastoral work by some of the preachers; the need of Official Boards that will carry through the financial matters of the church in a thorough, business-like manner, and thus set the ministry free to do the great work of preaching the Gospel in the churches and ministering from house to house as God calls them to do. All these and more should be mentioned in this report, but I will stop here, praying God's richest blessing upon all of the pastors and churches of Sioux Falls District and all of Dakota Conference, as we do the work now at hand and as we go forth to another year of opportunity. May the truth of God's own word be verified to us in which he declares, "Without counsel purposes are disappointed; but in the multitude of counselors they are established."

REPORT OF THE WATERTOWN DISTRICT

Orien E. Boyce, Superintendent

Recognizing the blessing of High Heaven upon the work on the Watertown District, I submit this, my second annual report.

There are 38 church buildings, valued at \$153,000. There are 23 parsonages with a total valuation of \$50,200. One, valued at \$3000 has been built at Howard this year, and work is under way at Chester to build a Pastor's home. Improvements have been made on Church property at Brookings, where the church was re-decorated and recarpeted at a cost of \$500. At Bruce, cement side walks cost \$41. Clark is making preparations to put a basement under the church, the cost to date is \$85. Colman placed a bell in the church tower, and installed a lighting system, total cost \$110. DeSmet painted the church floor, rearranged the opera chairs, and purchased carpet for the aisles costing \$30. Elkton painted the church at a cost of \$45. Gary laid a cement walk and repaired the vestibule at a cost of \$60. Hazel and Thomas spent \$100 in improvements, while Henry installed electric lights in the church and laid cement walk

round parsonage at a cost of \$113. Junius has built a large barn 24 by 72, one end is intended for use of pastor, while the rest is for the convenience of those driving to church. The value is \$500. They have also put in a cistern, valued at \$50. Lake Preston repapered the parsonage, while Madison also improved the parsonage to the extent of \$120. At Roswell, the Epworth League purchased two lots adjoining the church property and presented the same to the church, and the Ladies' Aid placed a furnace in the church at a cost of \$90. Watertown also reports improvements on parsonage, while at White cement walks and other improvements amount to \$100. Total expenditure for improvements, \$2646.

Indebtedness to the extent of \$1125 is reported paid.

Revivals were held at Artesian, Gary, Hazel and Thomas, Roe, Garden City, Bruce, Chester, Clark, Elkton Circuit, Frankfort, Henry, Howard, Oldham, Roswell Circuit and White. The District Superintendent attended the closing services on a number of charges and witnessed about 60 acceptances of Christ in his Quarterly Meetings. Dr. John gave a series of lectures at Brookings and Watertown, that we feel were helpful to our church life. Total number of Conversions 418. In a number of cases those converted were already members of the church. This is an excellent way for clearing up the church records. Membership at beginning of the year was 3186; members received this year, 451; Total 3637. Dismissed by letter, 125; Removed without letters, 76; Withdrawn, 11; Deceased, 32; Total to be deducted, 272, leaving a membership of 3360, showing a net gain of 281.

Benevolences have suffered this year, there was but little ready cash and many of our people have lived on borrowed money, because of last year's failure in crops. Nearly every farmer has had to redeem paper this year. The pastors, with the exception of a few have been compelled to leave their benevolences until the very last, in hopes of raising the full apportionments. We are glad to report an advance in some places over previous years. While others fall short of expectations. The pastors in nearly every case have performed full duty in this line. Two charges were unfortunate in being left without pastors at the critical season. We have done our best and report total Disciplinary Benevolences of about \$8000 as against \$4993 last year.

Sickness has invaded some of our pastor's homes, but we do not chronicle any deaths. Sister McEldowney had to undergo an operation, and we are glad to report it successful. The children in this home have also been afflicted. Mrs. Boyce has also passed through a very serious illness, but thanks to the prayers of God's own, a skilful surgeon, and a good nurse, she is now on the way to good health. While writing this report news of the sudden and serious illness of Brother Tarleton's boy, Robert, came. He is now in

the hospital, and there is only slight hope of his recovery. Apart from these there has not been serious illness in our parsonages.

Last year the drouth affected us all around, but this year it has broken, and Watertown District reports three new preachers and one little help-mate. Brother and Sister Wilson, brother and sister Tanner of Bruce, brother and sister Boslaugh of Frankfort, report the boys, while brother and sister Darling of Gary are the proud parents of the girl. May health, grace, and prosperity ever attend the way these little feet may take on toward Heaven's gate.

We have 40 Sunday Schools on our District, and the enrollment as nearly as it can be determined is 4224. This does not include a number of union school conducted by our own people in rural communities. A large number of our Sabbath school pupils have found Christ during the past year. The graded lessons are being used in some of our schools with varied results. Only 12 schools are organized into Missionary Societies, though others are doing something special along this line.

Epworth Leagues are showing an increase of interest. We have 23 chapters with 744 members. The Junior Leagues are not so numerous, but good work is being done among the children, and the great need is workers. The most flourishing Junior society is at Doland where Mrs. L. L. Layne has corralled 83 boys and girls. Some of our Sunday Schools combine the work of the Junior League in the primary and intermediate departments. Many of our Leagues are doing distinctive Missionary work in supporting native workers and students. We held a District Epworth League convention in a large tent on the Elkton charge, and, I believe much good was accomplished. The Leaguers were not as loyal to the convention as we had reason to think they would be, but all who attended received a blessing. At this time we raised over \$100, for special work in the Philippines. A number of Leagues have presented the Individual Communion service to their respective churches.

The W. F. M. S. report fine work. They have raised and sent forward with many papers \$1498.

We have only two or three W. H. S. Societies on our District and they have raised \$155.

Our Ladies Aid Societies, 35 in number report a total of \$5721. We are proud of their accomplishments and hopeful for still larger things.

Individual Communion services have been placed in practically every church on the District, and the people are greatly pleased with the change.

I want to express my appreciation of the loyalty of the Watertown District preachers and their wives. They are a royal company. I love them. May He who calleth into service be our John the Baptist, going before to make ready the hearts of men to receive the good seed of Eternal life.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EPISCOPATE FUND.

The committee appointed for this work after carefully examining the communications submitted to us, heartily endorse the resolution from the Colorado Conference and recommend that in accord with said resolution this Conference appoint a committee to co-operate with the committees appointed by the other interested Conferences for the purpose of securing from the delinquent Conferences such equitable advance in their payments, and such disciplinary prorating of benevolences, as will make these appropriation to the church more equitable.

In touching the communication from the treasurer of the Episcopal fund; in view of the deficiency of two hundred and forty-one dollars from this Conference for the past year, and the increase for the present quadrennium made necessary by the action of the last General Conference; we most earnestly recommend that the District Superintendents urge this claim upon the pastors and that they make an earnest endeavor to meet this apportionment in full.

Respectfully submitted,
Chairman, Ernest Holgate,
Secretary, Edw. E. Holmes.

PAID TO CONFERENCE CLAIMANT PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND FROM THE BEGINNING UP TO OCTOBER 15, 1912.

Aberdeen	\$180.00
Arlington	146.00
Artesian	153.00
Armour	51.00
Ashton	41.00
Andover	43.00
Alexandria	483.00
Alpena	108.00
Bradley	239.00
Brookings	191.00
Bard and Riverside	37.00
Bruce	25.00
Beresford and vicinity	31.00
Bath	74.00

Britton	242.00
Broadland and Vicinity	74.00
Bowdle	22.00
Blunt	13.00
Britsol and Butler	84.00
Big Stone	73.00
Bridgewater and Vicinity	15.00
Corona	94.00
Conde	331.00
Claremont	313.00
Colman and Vicinity	88.00
Castlewood	15.00
Chamberlain	96.00
Carpenter and Vicinity	192.00
Canistota and Vicinity	49.00
Cresbard and Vicinity	305.00
Canton	129.00
Cavour and Vicinity	100.00
Centerville	326.00
Clark	163.00
Dell Rapids	44.00
Davis	18.00
DeSmet	139.00
Doland	272.00
Deadwood	22.00
Elkton	66.00
Egan	75.00
Ethan	6.00
Elk Point	69.00
Esmond	121.00
Farmer	15.00
Frederick	153.00
Flandreau	331.00
Faulkton and Orient	232.00
Frankfort	191.00
Florence	31.00
Gary	78.00
Geddes	59.00
Gayville and Vicinity	150.00
Gettysburg	86.00
Groton	126.00
Garden City	47.00
Hartford	115.00

Howard	58.00
Harrisburg and Vicinity	110.00
Henry	116.00
Hecla	42.00
Hot Springs	53.00
Highmore	120.00
Huron	409.00
Hazel	151.00
Hurley	32.00
Hitchcock	124.00
Iroquois	228.00
Kampeska	6.00
Kennebec	52.00
Kimball	52.00
Lennox	24.00
Letcher	30.00
Lane	58.00
Lake Preston	100.00
Langford	121.00
Mitchell	969.00
Miller	139.00
Milbank	144.00
Melette	141.00
Madison	385.00
Mt. Vernon	194.00
Montrose	56.00
Murdo	25.00
Northville and Vicinity	364.00
Plankinton	96.00
Parkston	13.00
Presho	106.00
Platte and Vicinity	96.00
Parker	24.00
Pierre	744.00
Roswell	41.00
Redfield	187.00
Rapid City	20.00
Rockham	71.00
Sioux Falls	601.00
St. Lawrence	7.00
Selby	66.00
Scotland	133.90
Sisseton	140.00
Springfield and Avon	125.00
Summit	13.00
Salem	133.00
Tripp and Delmont	112.00

Tyndall	60.00
Valley Springs and Vicinity	52.00
Vermillion	336.00
Watertown	554.00
White Lake	158.00
White Rock	163.00
Wessington Springs	283.00
Webster	102.00
White	133.00
Wagner	29.00
Woonsocket	239.00
Wakonda	72.00
Yankton	286.00
Sundry Sources	159.00
Preachers (Oct., 1910 to Oct., 1912)	1001.00

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS

After hearing the propositions of the several delegations of the various cities it is the unanimous judgment of the Committee on Hospitals that the importance of this matter demands more careful consideration than can be given at this time, therefore we recommend that a hospital commission be raised consisting of one minister and one layman from each district; that during the conference year said commission shall consider any hospital proposition and report to the conference at its next session.

T. B. WILBER,
Secretary

W. E. HARTUNG,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The Committee on Education offers the following report:—

Every year deepens our conviction of the vital necessity of our denominational colleges to the success and perpetuity of our denominational enterprises. Facts such as those set forth in recent numbers of the Christian Student, showing the sources of recruits for our ministry and the relation of trained men to our leadership, emphasize the value of these colleges under church auspices. We look with great satisfaction upon the efforts put forth in almost every section of the country to improve the plant and equipment, amply to endow and in various ways to bring to highest educational efficiency these institutions. No better index of the increasing interest of our people in higher education is needed than the fact that more than ten million dollars was added to these foundations during the last quadrennium, that the general conference of 1912 gave more than ordinary attention to the subject and dignified our educational collection by making it one of the five great nation wide benevolences

of the church. We urge upon parents the importance and wisdom of giving their children the benefits of higher education. No inheritance can be left them so valuable and so permanent as an intelligently developed christian character.

The Board of Education is increasing its value and importance to the church every year. For nearly half a century it has aided hundreds of needy students annually. The significance of the Loan Fund to the Dakota conference is indicated in the fact that more students in our conference college received aid the past year than in any previous year. Thirty-three young people, members of our conference or lay members of our church, in this conference, were aided in a total sum of \$1925, while the conference gave only \$593 in Children's Day collections, so that we received over three dollars for every dollar contributed. Every pastor should take the Children's Day collection on the second Sunday in June and should remember that said collection can legally be used for one purpose only. It should be sent to New York for this Loan Fund.

The General Conference at Minneapolis provided for a unification of the conference educational collection and the Aid of Institutions fund of the Board, eighty per cent of the total to go to conference causes. We have had an apportionment of fifty cents a member for Dakota Wesleyan and in addition about five cents a member for general education, represented in the board at New York. After careful consideration it seems best to us to recommend that the combined apportionment be fixed at fifty cents a member for the coming year, twenty per cent of which shall go to the Board of Education and eighty per cent to Dakota Wesleyan University. We emphasize the fact that this combination of the two collections really reduces the total apportionment and unless the pastors raise more in the one collection the coming year than they have heretofore raised for the two there can be no increase for either. With this simplification we urge every pastor to redoubled effort to raise the education collection in full. Dakota Wesleyan cannot afford to suffer loss and the Board of Education has no other source from which to care for its schools among the mountaineers of the south or for any of the many forms of special activity which it makes so helpful to our college. The total amount to be apportioned to the charges by the district superintendents under this action will be \$8250. We extend our hearty thanks to the pastors who have loyally aided in raising the gratifying increase shown in the educational collections of the year. The Treasurer's report will show an increase of 27 per cent in this collection, the largest amount raised for this purpose in the history of the Conference.

We cannot lay too great emphasis upon the work of our Biblical schools. To them the church must look for her thoroughly trained ministerial supply. We note with approval the efforts of our leading theological schools to adapt their courses of study to the conditions

under which the modern pastor must do his work. We urge therefore that our young men preparing for the ministry shall attend our own theological schools. We recommend also the completion of the full course prescribed, for it is evident that these courses have been wisely arranged with a view to symmetrical development, both in laying a foundation for faith and the qualification for efficiency. We feel certain that much inefficiency and not a little looseness in doctrine would soon disappear if our young men were properly equipped by graduating from one of our own theological schools. We request the district superintendents and the board of examiners faithfully to counsel out young ministers to avail themselves of the training afforded by our theological schools in addition to the discipline secured in the college courses.

Dakota Wesleyan University has had an auspicious beginning of the school year and much that promises that this will be the banner year of its history. There has been some changes in the faculty. Several very loyal and skillful teachers have left for more remunerative positions, but the institution has been very fortunate in securing in their places trained teachers of Christian character, so that as usual the University commends itself to its patrons by the excellence of its faculty.

The new Science Hall is now completed at a cost of over \$90,000 and is without doubt one of the finest and best equipped science buildings in the state. The interior of College Hall has been remodelled so that the library is now much better housed and the recitation rooms are thoroughly modern. It is earnestly hoped that the contract for the new gymnasium can be let this fall. This will be done if collections justify it, and the payments thus far are very encouraging. The success of the campaign for endowment is very gratifying to all the friends of christian education. Too much praise can not be bestowed on those who by their generosity made this splendid victory possible. Great credit is due Dr. J. P. Jenkins for his patient, untiring and skillful efforts. His work has been vital to the success of the campaign.

The authorities of our University are mindful of the fact that it is a Christian school. An earnest effort is made to keep the atmosphere thoroughly moral and religious, for an education in which religion plays no part is seriously defective. We urge upon parents the serious condition of the religious life of school in determining where their children shall be sent for education.

Dakota Wesleyan University is the child of the church and must be kept on the hearts of God's people. The same holy purpose and devotion and sacrifice that gave it birth and have nurtured it into the great institution it now is must ever be continued in order that it may increase in power and efficiency.

After four years of conspicuous success as president of Dakota

Wesleyan, Dr. S. F. Kerfoot left us about the middle of July to become president of Hamline University, his alma mater. It was with general and genuine regret that we parted with him and we record herewith our very high appreciation of his labors and fellowship among us. To him more than any other person must be given the credit for the success of the splendid forward movement for \$300,000 now practically completed. May he be spared for many years to our sister college; and may his fine enthusiasm, his large outlook and his strong, steady confidence in God and man be contagious among college students and college patrons throughout our neighbor state.

We welcome most warmly our new president, Dr. William Grant Seaman, Ph. D., who, though among us less than a month, has made a fine impression and has won our hearts. We assure him our cooperation and our prayers as our educational leader, and under him we look for a continuance of the marked and gratifying growth and influence of Dakota Wesleyan University.

Our board of trustees has suffered great loss during the past year by the death of two of its very loyal members. Brothers John T. Gold and D. C. Thomas have passed away. They helped us conspicuously and repeatedly by their generous contributions of time, of counsel and of money. We extend to their bereaved families and friends our sympathy in their great loss and loneliness and assure them that we too are sensible of loss and loneliness since these good men have gone.

Your committee recommends the following as

TRUSTEES OF DAKOTA WESELYAN UNIVERSITY

Class of 1916

Gov. R. S. Vessey	Pierre	Rev. G. W. Rosenberry	
H. D. Butterfield	Mitchell		Sioux Falls
Lewis Shuster	Mitchell	I. W. Seaman	Chicago
Nathan Noble	Centerville	J. T. Morrow	Mitchell
S. H. Scallin	Mitchell	F. S. Brown	Doland

Class of 1914

To fill vacancies:

James A. Gold . . Big Stone City

Class of 1915

D. F. Jones Watertown

To fill vacancy caused by resignation of Dr. Kerfoot, President W. G. Seaman, Mitchell.

E. E. Hunt, Secretary.

Thos. Nicholson, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREEDMAN'S AID

We, your committee on Freedman's Aid Society, respectfully submit the following as our report:—

An examination of the reports of this society shows a gratifying condition in all departments. Energy and faithfulness on the part of the officers has advanced the cause of Christ in all the Southland. For the purpose of further extending the work a plan to celebrate the semi-centennical anniversary with an Emancipation Jubilee has been formulated.

Therefore be it resolved by the Dakota Annual Conference:—

1st. That we endorse this movement and pledge the Freedmen's Aid Society our best efforts to make it a success.

2nd. That we extend to the Rev. P. J. Maveety, D. D., our hearty appreciation of his most inspiring address and his presence at our Annual Conference.

R. B. Hughes, Sec'y.

L. L. Layne, Pres.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We, your committee feel that we can not commend too highly the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. They have done and are doing a work which could not be done by the parent Board. They have co-operated loyally with the church in the great work of bringing the world to Christ.

Therefore we pledge them our hearty co-operation and urge the lady members of our churches who are not members of this great organization to unite with their sisters in carrying on the work which God has given them to do.

Chas. E. Wilcox, Sec'y.

M. E. Nickerson, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

We deplore a considerable decrease in the contributions for Foreign Missions, accounted for in part by the necessity laid upon our people of redeeming the debt made in times of drouth.

We rejoice in the action of the General Conference in appointing the Commission on Finance for the particular work committed to its hands. We are pleased that many of our people are making gifts for "Special Purposes" in the Foreign Field. Let me urge upon our pastors the most earnest support of the general funds of the Board.

We welcome the visit of Dr. Calkins of India, to whose addresses we have listened with profit and delight.

We pledge the hearty co-operation of the Conference in carrying out the plans outlined by the Board of Foreign Missions and the Commission on Finance.

W. A. Black, Chairman.

DEACONESS BOARD OF NINE

In view of the fact that all condition required by the discipline have been met, we therefore recommend that the license of Miss Winnie Crouch be renewed, and upon the suggstion of the General Secretary, we also recommend that Miss Hill's license be renewed. Mrs. G. W. Rosenberry, Secretary. R. Glenn Minkler, President.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The members of the Dakota Methodist Conference in Annual Session assembled desire to re-affirm our steadfast loyalty to the American Bible Society, recognizing in this great organization a most potent factor in the dissemination of Scriptural truth throughout the world.

As Methodist pastors we still believe in giving the word of God an opportunity of doing its beneficent work and we pledged our loyalty to the great Society that is endeavoring to send out the Holy Scriptures to all mankind.

We desire to record our appreciation of the presence and addresses of Dr. Kirkbride and wish him the utmost success in the splendid work.

M. R. Crisp, Secretary.

C. M. Stebbins, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

1

Resolved: That we, the Dakota Conference assembled in our 28th Annual Session in the City of Yankton, do hereby express to the Rev. J. M. Tibbetts our sincere appreciation of his untiring labor for the comfort of the Conference and to the members and friends of the Methodist Church and citizens of Yankton for their kindly hospitality extended to us during the session of the Conference.

2

That we most hearity extend to the First Congregational Church of the City our thanks for the courtesies of their beautiful church, and to the good ladies of said church, our grateful appreciation for the manner in which they have so beautifully ministered to our material needs. Also to the Episcopalian Church we extend thanks for courtesies received.

3

To the organist, choir, Professors Myers and Claussen and all

others to whom we are indebted for music we extend thanks.

4

We are pleased to record our appreciation for the courtesy of the press of the city.

5

We wish to here express our appreciation of the manner in which the officers of the conference have untiringly preformed their tasks.

6

It is the desire of this conference to express its appreciation of the program prepared and presented this year. It has been inspiring in character and rich in thought, the type of men appearing on the program have been of high order.

7

To the incoming president of Dakota Wesleyan University, Dr. William Grant Seaman, we extend hearty greeting and pledge to him our loyal support in his administration.

8

This conference makes record of its first meeting with our beloved Bishop, the Rev. Naphtali Luccock, D. D., L. L. D. We have found in him a big-hearted, witty, original inspiring and intensely human brother, who has brought to us laughther, good cheer, wisdom, sound judgment and Godly council. His administration and addresses have won for him a large place in our hearts. Because of the week spent with him we shall go to our fields better able to do the work of Methodist Preachers. For him we pray and give thanks to God, and sincerely hope that he may come again.

Signed:—Committee.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

1

The records for the year were closed and the moneys and statistics in the hands of the Treasurer and Statistician before you committee had access to the records.

2

We find that the majority of the brethren have paid in full, or pro-rated the claims, and to report delinquents would be unnecessary embarassment to some worthy brethren.

3

Any re-arranging of the reports as handed in, would now work a greivous hardship on the statistical force, as the records are made and the footings given.

4

For next year we exhort the District Superintendents to assure themselves that every man knows his apportionments and we exhort every preacher to obey the law, relative to pro-rating, under penalty, if he does not, of having his name published in open conference as a delinquent, next fall. Respectfully submitted—Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

We urge our pastors to do all in their power to suppress Sabbath desecration in our state.

We commend every legislation that aids in the protection of the Sabbath, and pledge ourselves to do all we can to make God's hallowed day, a day of rest and true worship.

T. H. Thevithick,
Chairman.
John Clayton,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We, your committee on Sunday Schools, respectfully submit the following report:

We wish to commend the splendid work of the Board of Sunday Schools in the last quadrennium. During this period they have, through their missionaries organized more than 11000 Methodist Episcopal Sunday Schools, with over 40,000 members. From these have come 294 Methodist churches and 117 church buildings valued at \$226,000, besides carrying the gospel to hundreds of needy communities.

We recognize that the Sunday School is one of the greatest factors in converting and bringing into the church the greatest part of its membership, owing to the fact that it grips life at the most impressionable and important period.

We recommend therefore that the action of the General Conference as set forth in the Discipline requiring an annual offering and 10 per cent of the Sunday School Missionary offering be duly observed.

We urge the observance of Rally Day in all Sunday Schools for which the Board has issued an attractive program which can be secured from the Board or at Depositories of Book Concern.

We would suggest where it is possible in towns to enlist all the churches of the community in holding occasional Sunday school institutes.

Louis L. Lane,
Chairman.
W. A. Greene,
Secretary.

AUDITING SUPERINTENDENTS ACCOUNTS

The Committee on auditing district superintendents accounts having examined the same, find them to be correct.

S. H. Shurtliff, Chairman.
S. F. Spitz, Secretary.

W. F. Ferguson,
L. L. Layne,
Jno. Wood.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CONFERENCE TRUSTEES

Your Board offers the following recommendation:

1st. That the name of M. E. Nickerson, who was elected a member of the board at our last conference, but whose name was omitted in the publishing of the minutes, be inserted in the proper place in the class of 2. years.

2nd. That G. W. Rosenberry and A. E. Carhart be elected as trustees for the ensuing three years.

3rd. That W. S. Shepherd be elected President of the Board, A. E. Carhart, treasurer and M. E. Nickerson, secretary.

4th. That the amounts received from each charge for Conference Claimants endowment fund be published in the minutes.

W. S. Shepherd, Pres.

M. E. Nickerson, Sec.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH LITERATURE AND BOOK ACCOUNTS.

1

We commend the character, and products of our great publishing houses and rejoice in their continued prosperity.

2

We urge our preachers to inform our people everywhere and by every legitimate means, both publicly and in private upon the value of these products of our publishing houses and seek to enlarge their sale.

... 3

We ask our preachers to commit themselves to a thorough house to house canvass for subscribers to our Northwestern Christian Advocate and Epworth Herald, the subscription price of which has been so reduced as to put these papers within the reach of every Methodist house in the state.

4

We call the attention of our Sunday school workers to the unexcelled Sunday school literature and request that so far as possible all our Sunday schools use it.

5

We further suggest that the Ministry in representing the claim of these publishing interest that they direct the attention of our people to the larger and increasing dividends made to our Conference Claimant fund which we derive from the Book Concern.

Respectfully,

A. P. Janes,

T. H. Trevithick.

AUDITING TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

The committee on Auditing Treasurer's accounts have carefully examined the books at their disposal and find them to be carefully kept and the accounts accurate.

Signed,

A. P. Janes,
H. E. Rice,
E. E. Vernon,
John Kaye.

RESOLUTIONS ON BROOKINGS HOSPITAL.

Whereas, the Methodist Church in its world-wide policy has recognized the values of Christian Ministry in caring for the sick and has heartily endorsed the hospital movement, and

Whereas: The Conference Deaconess Board encourages and promotes the establishment of Deaconess Institutions within the bounds of the Conference, and

Whereas: The good people of Brookings, South Dakota, have signified their intentions of putting into the hands of the Deaconess Association a splendid Hospital property, free from debt, which shall be under Deaconess management, and

Whereas: The Conference Deaconess Board of this Conference endorses said institution and an effective corps of deaconesses are ready to take charge of the hospital which is now in operation.

Therefore, Be it resolved:

That the Dakota Conference favor acceptance of the generous gift of the Brookings people and authorize the continuance of this hospital under Deaconess management in accordance with the provision of the Discipline for such institutions.

Signed:

R. G. Minkler, Chairman,
Mrs. G. Rosenberry, Sec.

THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

We are pleased to report conditions greatly improved over those of any former year, though not yet ideal. The following amounts are available for distribution.

From the Charges.....	\$2385
From the Book Concern.....	2017
From the Chartered Fund.....	30
From the Connectional Fund.....	350
From Interest on the Endowment Fund.....	1095

Deducting 5 per cent of the amount received from the charges, for remittance to the Connectional Fund, (\$5877-\$119) leaves for distribution among our Claimants the sum of \$5758.

We recommend that this be distributed as follows:

To the Connectional Fund.....	\$ 119
D. W. Chamberlain, Scotland.....	160
G. J. Corwin, Artesian.....	189
W. O. Gram, Bath.....	100
J. G. Hall, Holtsville, Cal.....	198
L. Hartsough, Mt. Vernon, Iowa.....	400
A. Jamieson, Correctionville, Iowa.....	350
O. A. Phillips, Mitchell.....	252
D. Rifenbark, Big Stone.....	270
H. M. Springer, Evarts, Vt.....	252
T. Simmons, Faulkton.....	250
A. E. Tanner, Mitchell.....	250
Thos. Wilkinson, Siloam Springs, Ark.....	180
T. H. Youngman, Canon City, Col.....	250
Mrs. S. F. Brown, Hamilton, N. Y.....	200
Mrs. Myra Coon, Devils Lake, N. D.....	115
Mrs. Alida Corey, Chehallis, Wash.....	125
Mrs. Annie Cooper, Western Villas, Huby, Eng.....	275
Mrs. Achsah B. Curl, 1303, 13 Ave., E. Oakland, Cal	221
Mrs. A. V. Fawell, 202 W. 16th St., Univ. Place, Neb.	150
Mrs. Frank Fox, Doland.....	175
Mrs. Kate Hoadley, 612 Bright St., Seattle, Wash...	156
Mrs. Elizabeth McLean, Mitchell.....	190
Mrs. W. F. Minty, Mitchell.....	175
Mrs. F. J. Norton, Mitchell.....	350
Mrs. T. H. Walker, Draper 1615 S., Little Rock, Ark	200
Mrs. Mary Washburn, Downers Grove, Ill.....	150
Harrold Nichols, Mitchell (Per J. P. Jenkins).....	175

\$5877

We advise that \$50 be deducted from the allowance granted Mrs. F. J. Norton and paid upon Brother Norton's account with the Book Concern.

In case other sources of income yield the same amounts next year as this, there will be needed from the various charges fully three per cent of the pastors' salaries, with which to meet all equitable claims. The Conference should rigidly insist that the law of the church requiring the pro-rating of the amounts raised for pastoral support, be honestly observed.

W. O. Redfield, Chairman.

A. E. Carhart, Secretary.

(Note—The exact amount that should be raised by the charges

for Conference Claimants in 1913 is \$3939. This is 3 per cent of the pastors' salaries including the District Superintendents claim but not including house rent.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EPWORTH LEAGUES.

1. The recent history of the Epworth League shows two facts: First, that the League is without value when the pastor does not give it due emphasis and place in his program; Second, that the League can be made the right arm of the church when its possibilities are recognized.

We recommend that each pastor carry out the requirements of the Discipline and that we adopt as our slogan—"A strong League in every charge.

2. The Dakota Conference pledges its hearty support and cooperation to increase the circulation of the Epworth Herald and to pay the apportionment for the Central Office expenses.

3. We further recommend that the program committee for the next Annual Conference if possible give the Epworth League Anniversary a full evening and that each district League be given a part in the program.

A. C. McLean, Chairman.

A. J. Hoyer, Secretary.

FEDERATION COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN SOUTH DAKOTA

The following Statement of Principles agreed upon by the Federation Council of Churches of Christ in South Dakota were presented at the Conference by G. T. Notson and adopted.

Comity Principles adopted December 21, 1911 by the Federation Council of Churches of Christ in South Dakota:

1st. No community in which any denomination has already established regular services should be entered by any other denomination without previous conference with those officials having supervision of that territory.

2nd. A feeble church should be revived if possible rather than a new one established to become its rival.

3rd. The preferences of a community should always be respected by supervising officials, denominational committees, missionary agencies, and individual workers.

Temporary suspension of church work by any denomination occupying a field should not be considered sufficient warrant in itself for entrance into that field by another denomination.

5th. All questions of interpretation and all cases of friction re-

lating to the foregoing statements shall be referred to those officials supervising the territory involved, whose judgment shall be purely advisory.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

We heartily appreciate the interest shown by the pastors of the Conference, in giving to the Board an equitable part of the money raised for benevolent purposes, thus giving a noticeable increase.

We desire to show our appreciation to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension for their timely assistance of the needy charges, especially in the drouth stricken region, and also for the help rendered in building new churches, and aiding pastors who would otherwise be forced to leave their fields.

Further we promise our hearty support to the Board.

We further express our thanks for the inspiring address given by Dr. Coker, wishing him and the Board the richest of God's blessings.

R. Glenn Minkler, Chairman.

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

1. Be it resolved that we commend the action taken by our recent General Conference and its deliverance on the Liquor traffic and license evil.

2. That we commend the Prohibition party in their action in the Brookings test case, to test the constitutionality of the license law.

3. That we urge upon our members the necessity of knowing whom they vote for in their relation to this heinous traffic and to use every effort to secure honest, honorable and efficient men who shall prove avowed enemies of the liquor traffic in office as well as elsewhere.

4. We heard with pleasure Dr. Edwin Locke of Topeka, Kan., representing the church temperance society and urge the pastors to see to it that the full two cents per member be raised for this society.

5. We commend the anti-saloon league and all other agencies that work for the overthrow of the liquor evil and pledge unswerving fidelity in the cause.

6. We recommend J. S. Hoagland, A. E. Carhart, P. O. Bunt, A. S. Loveall as representatives on the Board of the Anti Saloon league.
R. A. Bruce, Secretary.

Ernest Holgate, Chairman.

RULES OF EXAMINATION BY THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

CHAIRMAN.....John L. Seaton, Mitchell, S. Dak.
VICE CHAIRMAN.....A. E. Buriff, Madison, S. Dak.
REGISTRAR.....Albert Hartt, Britton, S. Dak.
TERM EXPIRES 1913...J. P. Jenkins, W. D. Deeble, H. G. Ozanne
TERM EXPIRES 1914...A. S. Loveall, Albert Hartt, R. C. Shearer
TERM EXPIRES 1915.....J. W. Potter, P. O. Bunt, A. E. Buriff.
TERM EXPIRES 1916..J. L. Seaton, C. B. Wilcox, W. A. Wilkinson.

1. The Board of Examiners consisting of twelve members, shall be appointed, organized and conducted according to the disciplinary plan, Par. 65 of the appendix.

2. Mid-year examinations may be held in the spring in accordance with paragraph 65, section 4 and 5 of appendix.

3. The Elementary English Branches shall include English Grammar, Geography, Arithmetic, Reading and Writing.

4. Candidates for Local Deacons' and Local Elders' Orders shall conform to requirements in Discipline, appendix, Par. 69.

5. In case of unavoidable absence of any examiner from the meeting of the Board, he shall forward his list of questions to the Chairman, who shall arrange for the examinations.

6. All Essays and Sermons shall be forwarded to the respective examiners at least one month before date of the Annual Conference.

7. A copy of the plan together with the detail schedule of studies and assignments of examiners shall be printed in the Conference Journal.

8. The Chairman shall arrange a schedule for the annual examinations.

9. No candidates shall be entitled to advanced classification who has failed to pass in two books or subjects to be studied, or in three books to be read, or in one to be studied and two to be read; and no candidate shall be entitled to examination in advanced studies until he has brought up the work in which he is delinquent.

10. The Board of Examiners shall be a permanent committee on the revision and amendment of the plans and methods here presented; but before they become a valid part of the plan, or are used or published by the Board, all proposed changes shall be accepted by the Conference.

SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCE CLASSES AND EXAMINERS

Examiner	Admission	First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Fourth Year
Buriff .....	.....	Merrill & Downey .....	.....	Sheldon- Sacerdotalism	Bowne.....
Bunt .....	.....	Eaton	Dewey	Patten .....	.....
Deeble	Winchester	Denney	Terry	Dods	Earp
Hartt	Sermon	Broadus	Mott .....	.....	.....
Jenkins	Eiselen & Barclay	American History .....	.....	.....	Stevens
Loveall	Discipline .....	.....	.....	Jackson	Eiselen
Ozanne	English Branches .....	.....	Burton	Sermon	Sheldon
Potter .....	.....	Sermon .....	.....	Sheldon .....	.....
Seaton .....	.....	Phelps	Speer .....	.....	Smythe
Shearer	Hurlburt.....	.....	Meyer	Fisher	Winchester
Wilcox .....	.....	.....	Essay .....	.....	.....
Wilkinson	Wheeler .....	.....	.....	.....	.....

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES OF DAKOTA CONFERENCE

1888

Ministerial

Wm. Bush, D. D., Mitchell, S. D.
A. D. Traveler, D. D., Watertown, S. D., Reserve.

Laymen

D. W. Diggs, Milbank, S. D.
Mrs. I. M. Hartsough, Sioux Falls, Reserve.

1892

C. B. Clark, D. D., Mitchell
A. W. Adkinson, Watertown
W. H. Jordan, Sioux Falls, Reserve.
F. A. Burdick, Aberdeen, Reserve

H. E. Kratz, Vermillion
E. T. Langley, Huron
D. W. Diggs, Milbank, Reserve
T. W. P. Lee, Ashton, Reserve

1896

W. H. Jordan, Sioux Falls
C. B. Clark, Huron
C. E. Hager, Vermillion, Reserve.
J. S. Akers, Aberdeen, Reserve

W. F. T. Bushnell, Aberdeen
R. N. Kratz, Mitchell
A. B. VanCamp, Highmore, Reserve.
Mrs. A. M. Pickler, Faulkton, Reserve.

1900

W. H. Jordan, Sioux Falls
T. H. Youngman, Mitchell
C. E. Hager, Mitchell, Reserve
J. O. Dobson, Sioux Falls, Reserve

S. E. Morris, Redfield
H. S. Mouser, Redfield
H. G. Tilton, Vermillion, Reserve
R. N. Kratz, Mitchell, Reserve

1904

W. H. Jordan, Sioux Falls.
Duane Rifkenbark, Watertown
C. E. Hager, Mitchell, Reserve
J. O. Dobson, Huron, Reserve

H. G. Tilton, Vermillion
Aberdeen
Morris, Redfield, Reserve
H. S. Mouser, Huron, Reserve
Nathan Noble, Centerville Reserve.

1908

Thos. Nicholson, Mitchell
J. P. Jenkins, Sioux Falls
J. O. Dobson, Mitchell
W. I. Graham, Watertown, Reserve.
C. E. Hager, Huron, Reserve.

S. E. Morris, Mitchell
H. G. Tilton, Vermillion
G. F. Knappen, Brookings
Dr. W. E. Daniels, Madison, Reserve.
Phillip Lawrence, Huron, Reserve.

1912

Thos. Nicholson, New York
G. T. Notson, Huron
A. C. Shepherd, Sioux Falls
J. P. Jenkins, Mitchell Reserve
J. S. Hoagland, Mitchell, Reserve

R. S. Vessey, Pierre
S. E. Morris, Mitchell
W. E. Carpenter, Andover
F. S. Brown, Doland, Reserve
J. M. Johnston, Bradley. Res.

CONFERENCE NECROLOGY

Name	Place of Death	Time of Death	Age	Years in Ministry	Conference Relation
John M. Rust	Vermillion, Dakota..	1871	41	15	.....Effective
Thomas M. Williams..	Bridgewater, Dakota..	1881	50	24	.....Effective
William H. Hoadley..	Huron, Dakota.....	1886	51	16	..Supernumerary
T. S. Hunt.....	Aurora, Indiana.....	1887	57	16	.....Effective
Wm. H. Affleck.....	Leeds, England	1887	76	..	.....Effective
Wm. Vivian	San Fernando, Cal...1888	45	8	..	..Supernumerary
Chas. B. Gilbert.....	St. Catherine, Can...1889	..	1	..	....Probationer
Stanley B. Smith.....	Pierpont, S. Dak....1889	..	1	..	....Probationer
Ira A. Sparks.....	Armour, S. Dak....1894	29	9	..	.....Effective
Wm. Wesley Brown..	Thomasburg, Ont....1894	32	6	..	..Supernumerary
Geo. B. Dodd.....	Coleman, S. Dak....1895	36	2	..	....Probationer
A. R. Roggs.....	Mitchell, S. Dak....1889	64	29	..	..Superannuate
Oliver H. Sproul.....	Northville, S. Dak...1889	53	26	..	.....Effective
Francis A. Burdlick..	University Place, Neb1900	48	23	..	..Superannuate
H. T. Curl.....	Oakland, Cal.....1901	60	33	..	..Superannuate
Hiram S. Coon.....	Kampeska, S. Dak...1902	45	6	..	.....Effective
Colin T. Cooper.....	Faultkton, S. Dak...1903	35	4	..	.....Effective
Geo. H. Parker.....	Andover, S. Dak....1903	35	8	..	.....Effective
Sanford Washburn..	Chicago, Ill.....1904	74	41	..	..Superannuate
Francis T. Nicholls..	Alcester, S. Dak....1904	46	15	..	.....Effective
Wm. H. Cory.....	Seattle, Wash. ....1904	54	19	..	..Supernumerary
Wm. Underwood....	White Lake, S. Dak..1906	74	53	..	..Superannuate
Lachlin McLean.....	Mitchell, So. Dak. ...1907	59	26	..	.....Effective
T. H. Walker.....	Siloam Springs, Ark..1908	72	36	..	..Superannuate
S. F. Brown.....	Selby, S. Dak.....1908	83	49	..	..Superannuate
Henry Preston.....	DeSmet, S. Dak.....1909	40	10	..	.....Effective
W. F. Minty.....	Ethan, S. Dak.....1911	67	28	..	..Superannuate
Oliver Williams.....	Mitchell, S. D.....1910	75	45	..	..Superannuate
Frank Fox.....	Des Moines, Ia.....1911	45	..	..	..Supernumerary

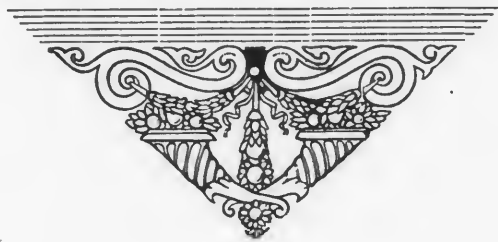
SESSIONS OF DAKOTA MISSION AND CONFERENCE

Date	Place	President	Memr's	Secretary
Sept., 1880	Yankton ...	Bishop Warren.....	1050	...Wm. McCready
Oct., 1881	Sioux Falls..	Bishop Hurst.....	1366	...Wm. McCready
Oct., 1882	Parker	Bishop Merrill	1504	...Wm. McCready
Oct., 1883	Huron	Bishop Simpson.....	2782	.....D. Rifenbark
Oct., 1884	Mitchell	Bishop Andrews.....	4469	.....D. Rifenbark
Oct., 1885	Blunt	Bishop Foss.....	5209	.....A. R. Boggs
Oct., 1886	Watertown .	Bishop Bowman	6565	.....A. R. Boggs
Oct., 1887	Aberdeen ..	Bishop Fowler.....	8225	.....A. R. Boggs
Oct., 1888	Yankton ...	Bishop Walden.....	9474	.....A. R. Boggs
Oct., 1889	Huron	Bishop Vincent.....	10526	....W. H. Jordan
Oct., 1890	Mitchell	Bishop Fitzgerald...	9663	....G. D. Cleworth
Oct., 1891	Sioux Falls .	Bishop Foss.....	9006	..A. W. Adkinson
Oct., 1892	Madison	Bishop Goodsell.....	9170	..A. W. Adkinsor
Oct., 1893	Brookings ..	Bishop Ninde.....	9749	....G. D. Cleworth
Oct., 1894	Watertown .	Bishop Fowler.....	10094	....G. D. Cleworth
Oct., 1895	Aberdeen ...	Bishop Joyce.....	9510	.....C. H. Smith
Oct., 1896	Vermillion .	Bishop Vincent.....	9335	....J. P. Jenkins
Oct., 1897	Mitchell	Bishop Warren.....	9269	....J. P. Jenkins
Oct., 1898	Parker	Bishop McCabe.....	10429	....J. P. Jenkins
Oct., 1899	Huron	Bishop Hurst.....	10960	....J. P. Jenkins
Oct., 1900	Sioux Falls.	Bishop Merrill.....	11324	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1901	Milbank	Bishop Foss.....	11430	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1902	Madison	Bishop Goodsell.....	11187	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1903	Aberdeen ...	Bishop Walden.....	11440	....J. T. Notson
Oct., 1904	Mitchell	Bishop Hamilton....	11881	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1905	Watertown .	Bishop Warren.....	12522	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1906	Brookings ..	Bishop Cranston....	12766	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1907	Vermillion .	Bishop McDowell....	13402	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1908	Sioux Falls .	Bishop Wilson.....	14759	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1909	Huron	Bishop Nuelsen.....	15673	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1910	Mitchell	Bishop Nuelsen.....	16242	....G. T. Notson
Oct., 1911	Aberdeen ...	Bishop McIntyre....	15751	....G. D. Brown
Oct., 1912	Yankton.....	Bishop Luccock	16349	....G. D. Brown

SCHEDULE OF UNDERGRADUATES

First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Fourth Year
S. W. Marble	G. H. Book	W. N. Deller	W. J. Dudgeon
C. E. McDonald	P. V. Brethorst.....	J. S. Ellis	Thos. Davies
E. L. Lovett	A. L. Wilson	O. P. Jackson	M. T. Habgood.....
C. B. Dennison	Frank Tanner	H. E. Rice	E. E. Vernon
J. H. James	E. Redmayne	C. W. Skinner	A. J. Hoyer
F. F. Leavit	J. W. Hartley	J. L. Walsh	L. A. McDonald
Ralph Howell .....	.....	L. W. Darling	G. T. Mathews
A. H. Beardsley .....	.....	John Ebert .....	.....
N. A. Christianson .....	.....	F. C. Page .....	.....
W. J. McClarinon .....	.....	F. H. Ray .....	.....
E. T. Underwood .....	.....	P. H. Weston .....	.....
T. W. Bradey .....	.....	J. C. Green .....	.....
.....	.....	J. D. Evans .....	.....

STATISTICS



ABERDEEN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

Statistics No. 1

J. S. HARKNESS, District Supt.

Name of Charges	Church Membership				Baptisms		Sunday Schools			Epworth Leagues				Church Property						
	Local Preachers	Members	Probationers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars Including C. R. and H. D.	Sr. Chapters	Members	Jr. Chapters	Members	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value	Pd. Bldg. Im. Ch. Prop. & Prs'ng's	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Pres. Indebtedness Church Prop.
Aberdeen.....		569	1	1	9	16	1	30	400	1	80			1	80000	1	3000	984	2300	6670
Andover.....		73			1	1	1	10	125	1	35	1	25	1	2500	1	2000	135		
Ashton.....	1	72		1	33	25	1	12	172					1	2500	1	2000	80		
Bath.....	16	66					1	15	100	1	31	1	25	1	5000	1	700			
Big Stone City....		89	1	1	4		1	13	110	1	25			1	4000	1	1500	10	260	
Bowdle.....		23		1	1		1	11	94	1	28			1	2000	1	1800			
Bradley.....		70		2	9	1	2	14	100					1	3500	1	1200			
Bristol.....		40			6	1	1	8	34					1	5500	1	1500	129		
Britton.....	2	123			5	2	3	23	232	1	35	1	25	1	7500	1	2500	200		975
Claremont.....	3	39		1			1	13	81					1	11500	1	1600	150		1300
Conde.....		100			9	15	2	22	150	1	32	1	29	1	3500	1	2000	100		
Corona.....		79			8	7	1	12	105	1		1	30	1	2500	1	1800	250		
Cresbard.....		61			3	17	1	14	88	1	30	1	40	1	4000	1	2500		350	500
De Voe.....	1	45			5	8	2	18	115					1	1000	1	1000			
Florence.....	13	41		1	18	1	1	5	30					2	4600			800		200
Frederick.....		52			7		2	15	100	1	16			1	2500	1	2000	40		
Groton.....		88		1	6	8	1	18	215					1	16000	1	2500	2375	1000	5645
Hecla.....		74	1		4	4	2	13	75	1	28	1	25	2	4000	1	1500	33	65	
Langford.....		70		1	11	5	1	10	110	1	30	1	46	1	2000	1	1600	700	160	
Leola.....		37		2	2		3	19	120					1	3000	1	1000		750	
Mellette.....		60		1	2		2	15	155					1	7000	1	3000	3273	508	3200
Milbank.....	5	183	1		10		1	22	230	1	50	1	51	1	15500	1	3100	310		
Northville.....	2	91			4		3	22	150	1	10			3	11500	1	2000		800	2700
Redfield.....		150		2	20		1	23	219	1	46			1	18000	1	3000	60		
Roscoe.....		24	1	1	2		2	9	70					1	3000	1	1500			1121
Sisseton.....	11	116		1	18	2	2	26	264	1	43	1	40	2	4000	1	1800	150		
Selby.....		25			11		2	20	188	1	30			1	12000	1	1500		385	5500
Summit.....		35	1		1	2	1	8	57					1	3000					100
Waubay.....		22	1	1	3	1	1	10	120	1	30			1	2500			250		
Webster.....		148					2	18	175	1	22			1	5000	1	2500			400
Westport.....	3	24	1		5		4	20	150					2	3000	1	1600		275	
White Rock.....	1	62	1		10	3	2	23	160	1	21	1	37	3	8500	1	1800			
Total.....	58	2778	9	19	222	119	52	511	4494	19	623	11	373	45	260100	29	55500	10029	6853	28311

ABERDEEN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

Statistics No. 2

J. S. HARKNESS, District Supt.

Name of Charges	Sunday Schools										COLLECTION FOR BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS		
	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades, not Including Cradle Roll and Home Department	Average Attendance of all Grades	No. of Memebrs in the Home Department	No. of Children in the Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment in all Departments, not Including Officers and Teachers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Scholars Including Home Department who are Church Members	No. of Members of Sunday School Converted during the Year.			Current Expenses: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.
											(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	
Aberdeen.....	1	30	400	275			400	30	150	17	433		
Andover.....	1	10	100	65		25	125	10		4	70		16
Ashton.....	1	12	160	80		12	172	11	48	15	90	12	4
Bath.....	1	15	100	75			100	15	50		75		2
Big Stone City...	1	13	100	75		10	110	12	50	2	50	12	
Bowdle.....	1	11	94	65			94	10	20	3	98		2
Bradley.....	2	14	100	60			100	12		2	55		10
Bristol.....	1	8	34	30			34	5	16		17	4	
Britton.....	3	23	200	104		32	232	18	45		100	10	2
Claremont.....	1	13	56	46		25	81	12	16	15	50	11	2
Conde.....	2	22	135			15	150	19		20	75	14	
Corona.....	1	12	75	56		30	105	12		20	50		
Cresbard.....	1	14	78	63		10	88	13	46	17	85	4	1
De Voe.....	2	18	115	60			115	10	30	10	35	1	
Florence.....	1	5	30	30			30	5	7	4	30		10
Frederick.....	2	15	100	70			100	8	31		50		
Groton.....	1	18	195	110		20	215	18		6	80	10	7
Hecla.....	2	13	75	50			75	13	15		45		
Langford.....	1	10	100	50		10	110	8		8	45		
Leola.....	3	19	103	60		17	120	6	28		30	2	2
Mellette.....	1	15	130	101		25	155	13			80		
Milbank.....	1	22	208	120		22	230	20	80		100	5	13
Northville.....	3	22	135	95		15	150	15	30	2	45		
Redfield.....	1	23	197	144		22	219	23	42	32	175	25	
Roscoe.....	2	9	70	50			70	5	16		30		
Sisseton.....	2	26	224	130		40	264	25		7	159	10	
Selby.....	2	20	168	110		20	188	15			90	4	1
Summit.....	1	7	50	32			57	6	12		35		
Waubay.....	1	10	100	50		20	120	10			35		
Webster.....	2	18	149	90		26	175	18			40	5	
Westport.....	4	20	100	80		50	150	10	17	6	23	6	
White Rock.....	2	23	160	95			160	23	54	3	82	12	
	51	510	4041	1521		446	4494	430	803	201	2462	147	72

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ABERDEEN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

J. S. HARKNESS, District Supt.

Name of Charges	Name of Pastor	Pastor's Support							Support Con. Clts		Support Dist. Supts		Support of Bishops		Total Support Pastors, Con. Claims, Dist. Supts., Bishops	Current Expenses		
		Claims			Receipts			Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Church, Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc.		S. S. Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	Total	
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total											Deficiencies
Aberdeen.....	O. W. Taylor.....	2000	400	2400	2000	400	2400		60	60	200	200	30	30	2690	1916	438	2354
Andover.....	F. E. Morrison.....	900	200	1100	900	200	1100		18	23	90	90	9	9	1222	40	70	110
Ashton.....	E. E. Vernon.....	700	180	880	720	180	900		14	15	70	70	7	7	992	75	90	165
Bath.....	H. C. Burrows.....	625	100	725	625	100	725		20	20	60	60	6	6	811	75	75	150
Big Stone City...	O. M. Hyde.....	900	125	1025	900	125	1025		18	20	90	90	9	9	1144	132	50	182
Bowdle.....	J. E. McKinney.....	600	150	750	600	150	750		18	18	60	60	6	6	834	60	98	158
Bradley.....	F. C. Page.....	800	100	900	800	100	900		21	21	80	80	8	8	1009	52	55	107
Bristol.....	F. E. Morrison.....	300		300	300		300		9	9	30	30	3	3	342	32	17	49
Britton.....	Albert Hartt.....	1000	200	1200	1040	200	1240		35	35	100	104	11	11	1390	210	100	310
Claremont.....	Thomas Davies.....	800	150	950	800	150	950		16	16	80	80	8	8	1054	183	50	233
Conde.....	W. D. Deceble.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		30	30	100	100	10	10	1340	125	75	200
Corona.....	John Wood.....	700	150	850	700	150	850		14	14	70	70	7	7	941	50	50	100
Cresbard.....	H. G. Ozanne.....	500	200	700	500	200	700		10	10	50	50	5	5	765	97	85	182
De Voe.....	F. L. Bromaghin.....	465	150	615	465	150	615		10	10	46	46	5	5	676	22	35	57
Florence.....	D. G. Radcliffe.....	575		575	575		575		6	6	57	57	4	4	642	30	30	60
Frederick.....	A. M. Lott.....	750	150	900	750	150	900		23	23	75	75	8	8	1006	185	50	235
Groton.....	S. E. Brown.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		30	30	100	100	10	10	1340	225	80	305
Hecla.....	James H. Brown.....	700	180	880	700	180	880		14	14	70	70	7	7	971	80	45	125
Langford.....	M. T. Habgood.....	825	100	925	825	100	925		24	24	82	82	8	8	1039	120	45	165
Leola.....	E. Redmayne.....	700	100	800	700	100	800		14	14	70	70	7	7	891	67	30	97
Mellette.....	J. S. Ellis.....	800	200	1000	850	200	1050		16	16	80	80	8	8	1154	26	80	106
Milbank.....	Ernest Holgate.....	1200	240	1440	1200	240	1440		36	36	120	120	12	12	1608	350	100	450
Northville.....	J. M. Hunter.....	800	144	944	1000	144	1144		16	10	80	80	5	5	1239	96	45	141
Redfield.....	John L. Seaton.....	1200	300	1500	1200	300	1500		36	36	120	120	12	12	1668	260	175	435
*Roscoe.....	A. Ranshousen.....	350		350	204		204	146							204	18	30	48
Sisseton.....	R. C. Shearer.....	1046	200	1246	1056	200	1256		20	20	100	100	10	10	1386	231	159	390
Selby.....	J. A. Willey.....	1050	150	1200	900	150	1050	150	20	15	105	90	10	5	1160	175	90	265
Summit.....	Chas. E. McDonald.....	600		600	388		388	212	12	12			4	4	404	50	35	85
Waubay.....	L. F. Brown.....	700	100	800	700	100	800		14	20	70	70	6	6	896	75	35	110
Webster.....	Mortimer R. Crisp.....	1000	144	1144	1000	144	1144		25	25	100	100	10	10	1279	180	40	220
Westport.....	E. F. Harold.....	400	180	580	400	180	580		12	12	40	40	4	4	636	60	23	83
White Rock.....	Joseph F. Franklin....	1000	150	1150	1000	150	1150		30	30	100	100	15	15	1295	106	82	188
Totals.....		25986	4843	30829	25798	4843	30641	508	641	644	2495	2484	264	259	34028	5403	2462	7865

*Copied from Conf. Minutes (1911).

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J. S. HARKNESS, District Supt.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS (DISCIPLINARY)

Other Benevolent Collections

Name of Charges	Missions						Board of Education			Board of Sunday Schools	Conference Claimants	Freedman's Aid Society	American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational	Interests Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Expenses Epw'th L.	Grand Total
	Br. Home M's			Board F'r'n M's.																		
	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts	(a) Church (General)	(b) Sunday Schools	(c) Children's Fund													
Aberdeen.....	319	50	220	140	50	3	25	5	16	9	1	15	1	224	24	972	185	76	1133	8	2	1441
Andover.....	23	50	23	23	50	3	4	5	12	4	7	11	1	20	1	211	37	36	284	2	2	288
Ashton.....	69	3	44	3	2	5	5	12	4	7	8	8	1	1	159	30	65	254	4	2	258	
Bath.....	33	10	15	3	2	5	5	12	2	6	12	1	1	56	4	133	15	31	179	2	2	181
Big Stone City.....	70	20	75	12	12	5	5	12	6	6	12	1	1	107	310	40	31	381	1	1	382	
Bowdle.....	4	4	1	4	1	8	7	8	10	5	6	2	2	17	2	17	2	1	20	1	1	21
Bradley.....	10	40	10	40	15	1	1	4	10	3	4	1	1	79	157	17	1	175	1	2	176	
Bristol.....	17	15	75	8	2	3	10	12	3	3	10	10	1	66	262	79	10	351	2	2	353	
Britton.....	75	8	31	10	1	14	11	12	8	8	5	1	1	35	172	19	1	192	1	1	193	
Claremont.....	31	10	13	31	10	5	10	14	10	12	12	2	2	12	177	50	59	286	2	2	286	
Condee.....	46	10	56	30	4	4	4	4	1	2	2	2	1	10	80	5	2	87	2	3	89	
Corona.....	30	4	14	4	1	5	4	4	1	2	2	2	1	10	67	10	2	79	3	3	82	
Cresbard.....	19	4	10	10	1	6	1	1	5	5	2	2	1	50	106	5	1	112	1	1	112	
De Voe.....	10	20	8	8	1	4	4	10	2	2	2	2	1	5	47	3	3	53	3	3	53	
Florence.....	8	36	1	1	1	5	3	3	8	8	5	5	1	3	83	18	8	109	5	5	109	
Frederick.....	25	37	15	37	27	3	5	10	7	10	12	1	1	191	40	1	232	5	1	237		
Groton.....	37	27	10	10	5	4	3	3	5	5	10	2	2	15	51	10	1	62	1	1	63	
Hecla.....	10	1	3	8	1	4	3	3	5	5	2	2	1	15	52	4	1	56	4	4	56	
Langford.....	11	1	5	5	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	21	9	5	1	27	3	3	30	
Leola.....	5	1	140	6	10	5	13	12	12	12	12	3	3	148	7	539	72	25	636	4	2	642
Mellette.....	2	30	50	10	5	8	25	12	36	24	3	43	3	118	63	20	83	4	1	88		
Milbank.....	110	10	128	70	3	4	10	9	8	8	3	8	1	58	242	58	46	346	2	2	346	
Northville.....	10	3	5	3	1	5	4	1	1	1	3	3	1	29	5	34	1	35	5	5	35	
Redfield.....	128	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	12	5	12	12	12	12	12	
Roscoe.....	70	3	70	15	10	3	6	4	8	8	4	4	3	3	149	5	1	155	2	2	155	
Sisseton.....	5	3	5	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	77	77	77	77	77	77	79	
Selby.....	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	108	30	28	166	166	166	166	
Summit.....	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Waubay.....	70	4	70	15	10	3	6	4	8	8	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Webster.....	15	4	15	15	10	3	6	4	8	8	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Westport.....	35	15	30	30	12	4	12	4	8	8	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
White Rock.....	35	15	30	30	12	4	12	4	8	8	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
	1298	239	248	1109	179	59	1	151	146	85	138	52	197	26	1038	5018	879	531	6428	35	20	6483

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G. T. NOTSON, District Supt.

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Name of Charges	Church Membership				Baptisms		Sunday Schools		Epworth Leagues				Church Prop.							
	Probationers	Members	Local Preachers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars Including C. R. and H. D.	Sr. Chapters	Members	Jr. Chapters	Members	Churches	Parsonages		Pd. Bldg. Im. Ch. Prop. & P'rs'ng's	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Pres. Indebtedness	
Agar.....	1	10			5		1	6	54											
Alpena.....	2	129		1		2	2	22	150	1	54	1	38	2	4000	1	2500			
Blunt-Harrold..	9	65					2	12	80					2	10100	1	2000	50	1650	
Burdette.....	1	50		2	7		2	8	80					2	4500	1	2000	400	400	
Broadland.....		51			1		1	10	75	1	27			1	2500					
Carpenter.....	2	82			3	4	3	17	143	1	34			2	3500	1	1200	15		
Cavour.....														1	1500					
Esmond.....	9	91					2	22	187	2	39			1	1500	1	1800			
F'lk't'n-Orient..		152		2	7	1	2	28	264	1	30	1	27	2	8300	1	1500	64		
Gettysburg....	4	111	1		12	16	1	23	253	1	30			1	16000			8000	8200	
Gorman.....		18			1	8	1	7	40											
Highmore.....	5	118	1		2		3	22	250	1	24			1	4000	1	1400	25		
Hitchcock.....	4	126		1	1	8	3	24	170	1	16			2	4200	1	2000		575	
Huron.....	14	480	2		14	10	1	18	400	1	100	1	69	1	25000	1	6000	480	1080	
Iroquois.....	1	78		2			1	18	120	1	29			1	3000	1	1700	90		
Lane-Viola....	4	137	1		15	15	2	22	200	1	28			2	7000	1	1700	230	1350	
Lebanon.....		22					1	12	40					1	2000	1	1000		600	
Miller.....	4	131	1		3		2	20	200	1	29			1	3000	1	5000	450	300	
P'l. Crk-Rich..		60	1		3		3	18	100	1	25			3	6000	1	800		2000	
Pierre.....	12	148	1	2	16	19	1	18	250	1	30			1	80000	2	4000	8706	42000	
R'kh'm.-Mir....	1	62		1	1		2	21	146					2	6800	1	2000	29	57	
Seneca.....	6	45					1	9	115	1				1	3000	1	2000	25	1500	
St. Lawrence..		60	1	2	6	1	1	9	144	1		1	13	1	4000	1	1000		200	
Tulare.....		95	1	1	6	8	3	24	160	1	40	1	20	2	8000	1	1000		30	
Wessington Sp	10	256	1	1	7	4	2	34	310	1	30			1	5000	1	4000	250	1370	
Wessington....	1	48		3			2	12	105	1	26			1	2000	1	2500		1200	
Wolsey.....	7	47			2		2	21	133					2	5000	1	2000	27	300	
Woonsocket...		165			4		1	20	380	1	25			1	3500	1	2500	700	250	
Total.....	97	2847	11	18	116	96	48	477	4549	21	496	5	167	37	221900	25	54100	19541	3525	63538

HURON DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.
Statistics No. 2 **G. T. NOTSON, District Supt.**

Sunday Schools	NAMES OF CHARGES											COLLECTION FOR BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS	
	No. of Schools	No. of Officers Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades, not including Cradle Roll and Home Dept.	Average Attendance of all Grades	No. of Members in the Home Department	No. of Children on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment in all Depts. Including Cradle Roll and Home Dept. but not Officers and Teachers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Scholars, whether Attend- ants or members in Home Dept. who are Ch'ch Mbrs. or Probationers	No. of members of Sunday School Converted during the year.	Current Expenses; Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	(a)	(b)
												Church	Sunday School
Agar.....	1	6	54	45			48	3	11	1	60	2	
Alpena.....	2	22	120	95		30	128	16	80		60		9
Blunt-Harrold....	2	12	56				68	10	68		25		
Burdette.....	2	8	60	70		20	72	8	50	18	44		
Broadland.....	1	10	55	35		20	65	10	30		25	2	
Carpenter.....	3	17	143	86			126			2	50	3	
Esmond.....	2	22	140	95		47	165	18			78		3
Faultkton-Orient..	2	28	217	152		47	136	26	83	18	120	12	
Gettysburg.....	1	23	250	160		3	130	23	190	50	160	2	3
Gorman.....	1	7	40				33	5	16	8	50		
Highmore.....	3	22	210	160		40	228	18	75	21	50	2	
Hitchcock.....	3	24	170	130			146	24	86	20	64	2	
Huron.....	1	18	300	177	50	50	382	18		14	176	7	7
Iroquois.....	1	18	103	60		17	102	18			60		
Lane and Viola...	2	22	183	98		17	178	22		24	61	6	
Lebanon.....	1	12	40										
Miller.....	2	20	175	125		25	180	20	30	6	100	2	
Pearl Creek.....	3	18	100	75			82	16	60		50	2	
Pierre.....	1	18	250	151			232	18			160		7
Rockh'm-Miranda..	2	21	132	80		14	125	12			79	3	2
Seneca.....	1	9	115	70			106	6	25		35		
St. Lawrence.....	1	9	114	74		30	135	9			60		4
Tulare.....	3	24	150	117		10	136	23	95	10	100	4	1
Wessington Spgs..	2	34	250	200		60	276	30			225		32
Wessington.....	2	12	105	70				12			60	4	
Wolsey.....	2	21	118	65		15	112	14	20		50		
Woonsocket.....	1	20	225	130		25	360	20	70		115		
Total.....	48	477	3875	2520	50	470	3751	399	989	192	2117	53	68

Name of Charges	Name of Pastor	Pastor's Support							Support Con. Claim'ts		Support Dist Supts		Support of Bishops		Total Sup. Pastors, Con. Cl'ts. Dis. Supts., Bis.	Cur. Expense		
		CLAIMS			RECEIPTS			Deficiencies	Amt. Apportioned	Amt Paid	Amt. Apportioned	Amt. Pd.	Amt. Apportioned	Amt. Pd.		S. S. Lesson Lvs Books, etc.	Church, Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	Total
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total											
Agar.....	S. W. Marble.....	185		185	220		220	17	3	3	19	19	3	3	245	100	60	160
Alpena.....	M. E. Nickerson.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		20	20	100	100	10	10	1330	45	60	105
Blunt-Harrold....	J. T. B Smith	1000	216	1216	1000	216	1216		20	5	100	100	10	5	1321	75	25	100
Burdette.....	J. W. Hartley.....	820	100	920	820	100	920		16	16	82	82	12	12	1030	14	44	58
Broadland.....	Jens Jensen.....	400		400	383		383	50	8	5	40	35	4		423	40	25	65
Carpenter.....	N. P. Johnson.....	750	100	850	850	100	950		15	15	75	75	8	8	1048	35	50	85
Esmond.....	W. H. Evans.....	800	180	980	800	180	980		16	16	80	80	8	8	1084	121	78	199
Faulkton-Orient	C. E. Wilcox.....	1100	120	1220	1142	120	1262		22	22	110	110	11	11	1405	304	120	424
Gettysburg.....	R. A. Bruce.....	1000	100	1100	1000	100	1100	220	20	20	100	100	12	12	1232	200	160	360
Gorman.....	R. A. Bruce.....	200		200	150		150		4	4	20	10	2	2	166		50	50
Highmore.....	L. A. McDonald.....	1000	150	1150	1000	150	1150		20	16	100	100	10	8	1270	150	50	200
Hitchcock.....	S. F. Spitz.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		20	20	100	100	10	10	1330	119	64	183
Huron.....	G. M. Richmond.....	1000	180	1180	1000	180	1180	100	36	36	180	180	18	18	2454	1188	176	1364
Iroquois.....	John Clayton.....	1000	180	1180	1000	180	1180		20	20	100	100	10	10	1310	100	60	160
Lane-Viola.....	E. O. Machemer.....	800	125	925	800	125	925		16	16	80	80	8	8	1029	178	61	239
Lebanon.....	J. W. A. Collins.....																	
Miller.....	J. H. Kearton.....	1150	360	1510	1150	360	1510	100	23	20	115	115	11	11	1656	200	100	300
Pearl Creek.....	B. F. Stiles (Sup.)....	650		650	650		650		13	13	65	65	6	6	734	30	50	80
Pierre.....	A. D. Thibodeau.....	1460	500	1960	1460	500	1960		29	24	170	170	15	10	2464	995	160	1155
Rockham-Miranda	J. D. Stevens.....	800	150	950	800	150	950		16	16	80	80	8	8	1054	162	79	241
Seneca.....	C. D. Bullock.....	400	120	520	180	120	300	100	8		40	30	4		330	50	35	85
St. Lawrence.....	J. L. Walsh.....	700	120	820	700	120	820		14	14	70	60	7	7	901	60	60	120
Tulare.....	I. W. Ellis.....	800	120	920	800	120	920		16	16	80	80	8		1016	120	100	220
Wessington Sp....	I. M. Hargett.....	1600	300	1900	1600	300	1900		32	32	160	160	16		2380	300	225	525
Wessington.....	P. I. King.....	800	150	950	700	150	850	100	16	11	80	60	8	6	927	50	60	110
Wolsey.....	G. T. Matthews.....	700	120	820	600	120	720		14	9	70	66	7	7	802	65	50	115
Woonsocket.....	J. F. Gibson.....	1100	240	1340	1100	240	1340		22	20	110	110	11	15	1485	200	115	315
Totals		22015	4271	27386	22705	4271	26976		487	460	409	2326	2267	237	195	29847	4901	2127	7028

Statistics No. 4

HURON DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

G. T. NOTSON, District Supt.

Name of Charges	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS (DISCIPLINARY).																	Other Benevolent Collections						
	Missions						Board of Education			Board of Sunday Schools	Board of Con. Ch's.	Freedman's Aid Society	American Bible Society	Woman's F'r'n. Mis. Society	W. F. Mis. Society	W. H. Mis. Society	Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational Interests	Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Exps. Ep. League	Grand Total	
	Board of F'r'n. M's.		Board of Home M's		Board of Education																			
	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	(c) Special Gifts	(a) Church	Sunday Schools	pecial Gifts	(a) Church General	(b) Sunday Schools	(c) Children's Fund	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Con. Fund.	Freedman's Aid Society	American Bible Society	Woman's F'r'n. Mis. Society	W. F. Mis. Society	W. H. Mis. Society	Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational Interests	Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Exps. Ep. League	Grand Total
Agar.....	17	...	...	10	...	2	...	6	9	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	34	10	...	10	...	...	44
Alpena.....	89	11	...	89	11	10	...	6	9	...	...	10	5	...	29	5	...	282	62	59	121	3	2	408
Blunt-Harrold....	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	15
Burdette.....	31	...	...	31	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	73	31	3	34	2	...	116
Broadland.....	15	3	...	15	3	1	...	5	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	46	20	...	20	5	...	71
Carpenter.....	21	3	...	21	3	2	...	5	3	...	...	4	2	...	13	...	...	77	20	1	21	7	2	107
Esmond.....	50	14	60	50	13	...	...	5	3	...	...	10	2	...	92	...	...	306	40	8	48	...	...	354
Faulkton-Orient..	80	3	50	80	3	...	...	4	12	...	...	21	5	...	138	...	...	396	68	58	126	7	...	529
Gettysburg.....	20	14	...	20	14	3	...	6	2	3	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	89	10	1	11	7	2	109
Gorman.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Highmore.....	21	...	...	21	...	3	...	...	2	2	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	51	13	...	13	...	...	64
Hitchcock.....	24	...	15	20	15	3	...	15	2	...	...	7	1	...	75	...	...	177	24	9	33	12	...	222
Huron.....	142	10	60	100	10	...	...	6	7	...	...	7	1	...	188	6	7	544	50	1250	1300	15	...	1859
Iroquois.....	37	5	...	30	5	1	2	6	3	2	...	8	2	...	...	...	...	101	32	1	33	6	...	140
Lane-Viola.....	60	...	...	60	...	3	...	12	6	...	...	12	3	...	...	...	...	156	45	64	109	4	...	269
Lebanon.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Miller.....	20	5	...	16	4	...	...	2	2	...	...	3	...	...	17	...	...	70	20	...	20	14	...	104
Pearl Creek.....	13	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	34	12	4	16	...	...	50
Pierre.....	102	3	55	102	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	104	...	...	369	32	42	74	9	...	452
Rockh'm-Miranda..	24	...	...	24	...	11	...	3	2	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	71	18	43	61	7	...	139
Seneca.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Lawrence.....	15	...	...	10	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	3	...	...	9	...	...	42	10	...	10	...	...	52
Tulare.....	36	4	...	36	4	...	...	10	4	1	...	10	2	...	...	...	...	107	40	38	78	8	2	195
Wessington Sp....	1351	58	155	267	58	...	...	...	32	...	...	65	12	...	359	...	...	2357	128	64	192	...	...	2549
Wessington.....	10	...	...	10	...	...	...	5	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	26	8	...	8	5	...	39
Wolsey.....	10	...	...	5	1	...	...	5	...	2	9	...	3	1	...	...	...	36	5	...	5	...	...	41
Woonsocket.....	50	5	28	50	4	...	6	8	...	...	...	6	4	...	54	...	...	512	40	8	48	12	...	275
	2243	138	423	1084	111	49	8	94	69	47	19	5	205	48	1078	11	7	5674	738	1653	2391	130	8	8203

Statistics No. 1

MITCHELL DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

W. S. SHEPHERD, District Supt.

Name of Charges	Church Membership				Baptisms		Sunday Schools		Epworth Leagues			Church Property								
	Probationers	Members	Local Preachers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars Including C. R. and H. D.	Sr. Chapters	Members	Jr. Chapters	Members	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value	Pd. Bldg. Im. Ch. Prop. & Pr's'ng's	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Pres. Indebtedness
Alexandria....	16	223		1	6	29	2	30	286	1	48			2	7200	1	2200	360	300	
Armour.....		75	1		1		1	11	103	1	20			1	2500	1	1500			300
Bard.....		14					1	5	25					2	4000					
Bijou Hills....														2	4000					
Bridgewater...		14					1	6	75			1	18	1	2500			10		
Chamberlain...	3	73			8	7	1	11	100					1	3500	1	2000	130		
Colome.....		63			5	3	2	12	120					1	3000	1	500	925		1370
Dallas.....	16	118		2	12	21	4	37	143	2	25	1	15	1	2500	1	700	100		1200
Danton Cir....	6	57		1	2	2	3	30	50					1	600			15	20	
Dudley.....		15		1	6		1	6	25					1	1600			230		
Ethan.....		45			3		2	13	146	1	35			1	2800					
Fairfax-Herriell		22					2	10	80					2	5350	1	1500		101	100
Farmer.....		38					1	9	60					1	1500					
Fulton.....		34			1		2	13	125	1				1	1500	1	800	58	70	80
Geddes.....	9	88		2		1	2	18	173	1	22			2	5000	1	3000	50		
Gregory.....	8	82			11	16	1	15	232	1	32	1	32	1	3500	1	1250	75	90	375
Iona-Hamil....	40				9	4	4	20	100					1	2000				100	200
Letcher.....		30					1	9	40					1	2000	1	2697	197		1702
Kimball.....		48			3		1	10	103	1	18			1	3000	1	1500	50		
Letcher.....		94			3	3	2	18	149					1	1500	1	1000		60	57
Mitchell.....	25	1150	14	6	10	16	1	50	1250	1	150	1	100	1	75000	1	7000	1000	3000	9000
Mt. Vernon....		108	1		1	1	1	16	180	1	24			1	5000	1	3000	3000		
Murdo.....	19	68		1	11	21	1	15	113	1	33	1	33	1	3500			105	85	165
Plankinton....		127		1	1	2	1	17	200					1	5000	1	3000	148		
Platte.....		155	1		11	1	1	12	120	1	30			1	5500	1	2100	340		100
Presho.....		79	1	1	5		1	11	75	1	14	1	25	1	3750			150	150	50
Pukwana.....		10		1	4		1	10	45					1	3000					
Scotland.....		81			2		1	18	120					1	4500	1	2000	360		
Springfield....		84	1				1	12	85	1	26			2	2700	1	3000	115	25	1400
St. Charles....		14					1	5	30											
Tripp-Delmont.	4	104			4	6	3	45	241	1	12			3	8000	1	2500	327	576	500
Tyndall.....		61		1			1	13	80	1	22			1	8000	1	4000	2000		2000
Tripp Co. Miss		40												1	600					
Vivian-Draper.	10	64			3	1	3	16	100	1	15			2	5000	2	1500	70	50	80
Vivian Cir....		20		1	4		3	15	60					2	1500					
Wagner-Ravini		147			9	59	2	20	152	1	37			2	5000	1	1000		300	200
White Lake...	34	83	1	1		8	2	19	208	1	25	1	30	2	6700	1	2000	165	30	575
Winner.....	4	52			3	1	2	12	125	1	28			1	4000			2000		1900
Dunlap.....	1	25	1			3	2	13	72					2	3000	1	600		200	200
Total.....	155	3645	11	20	138	203	62	610	5426	21	621	7	233	51	215800	26	53247	11970	7182	22554

MITCHELL DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

Statistics No. 2

W. S. SHEPHERD, District Supt.

	No. of Schools	No. of Officers Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades, not including Cradle Roll and Home Dept.	Average Attendance of all Grades	Members in Home Department	No. of Children on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment in all Depts. including Cradle Roll and Home Dept. but not Officers and Teachers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Scholars, whether Attend- ants or members in Home Dept. who are Ch'ch Mbrs. or Probationers	No. of members of Sunday School Converted during the year.	Current Expenses: Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	Collections S. S. Board
												(a) Church (b) Sunday School
Alexandria.....	2	30	230	170	22	34	286	28	190	35	160	11
Armour.....	1	11	90	55		13	103	11	42	2	60	
Bard.....	1	5	25	16			25	3	14		16	
Bijou Hills.....												
Bridgewater.....	1	6	75	23	6	14	75	6	8		24	
Chamberlain.....	1	11	85	60		15	100	11	25		60	5
Colome.....	2	12	120	73			120	12		2	40	1
Dallas.....	4	37	193	119			143	35	51	19	92	1
Danton Cir't.....	3	30	50	45			50				40	1
Dudley.....	1	6	25	20			25	6			12	
Ethan.....	1	13	125	30		21	146	13	35		60	
Fairfax-Herrick..	2	10	80	70			80	8		4	50	
Farmer.....	1	9	60	38		12	60	9			24	
Fulton.....	2	13	100	71		25	125	13	20	4	30	2
Geddes.....	2	18	165	110		8	173	17	72	14	115	6
Gregory.....	1	15	200	85		35	232	13	50	25	60	3
Iona--Hamill.....	4	20	100	80			100	10			50	
Kennebec.....	1	9	40	33		1	40	9			88	
Kimball.....	1	10	85	55		18	103	9	30	4	45	1
Letcher.....	2	18	112	90		37	149	14	40	1	45	20
Mitchell.....	1	50	1025	500	100	125	1250	50	250	40	700	20
Mt. Vernon.....	1	16	120	85	30	30	180	12			60	
Murdo.....	1	15	80	60		33	113	14	65		40	
Plankinton.....	1	17	185	115	15		200	17	50	6	95	6
Platte.....	1	12	120	64			120	11		5	60	4
Presho.....	1	11	75	38			75	10	35	10	48	4
Pukwana.....	1	10	45	29			45	6			45	3
Scotland.....	1	18	120	100			120	18	50		75	5
Springfield.....	1	12	85	50			85	12	22		69	
St. Charles.....	1	5	25	25			30	5			25	1
Tripp-Delmont....	3	45	241	150		9	241	35		15	110	7
Tyndall.....	1	13	80	51			80	12	40		50	1
Tripp Co. Mission												
Vivian-Draper....	3	16	100	70			100	13	30		50	
Vivian Cir't.....	3	15	60	40			60	7	15		35	
Wagner-Ravinia..	2	20	125	75		27	152	13		50	69	7
White Lake.....	2	19	194	18		14	208	11	62	6	109	2
Winner.....	2	12	80	70	25	22	125	8		2	50	
Dunlap.....	2	13	72	50			72	13			24	
Herrick.....	1	3	20	15			20				10	
Total.....	62	610	4787	2848	198	493	5426	494	1196	246	2795	91

Name of Charges	Name of Pastors	Pastor's Support						Deficiencies	Support Con. Clts		Support Dist. Supts		Support of Bishops		Total Sup. Pastors, Con. Clt's., Dis. Supts., Bis.	Current Expenses		
		Claims			Receipts				Am't. Apportioned	Amount Paid	Am't. Apportioned	Amount Paid	Am't. Apportioned	Amount Paid		Church, Sexton, Light, Fuel, etc.	S. S. Lesson L'y's. Bks., etc.	Total
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total											
Alexandria	Pierce O. Bunt	1250	250	1500	1250	250	1500	25	25	25	125	125	12	12	1662	300	160	460
Armour	Charles Thomas	900	150	1150	875	150	1025	18	4	90	80	9	8	1117	100	60	160	
Bard	S. C. Salter	150	...	150	150	...	150	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	...	...	...
Bijou Hills	J. R. Krins	285	...	285	285	...	285	...	...	28	28	...	...	313	46	24	70
Bridgewater	Earl V. Fisher	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250	20	20	100	100	10	10	1330	160	60	220	
Chamberlain	L. F. Woolson	575	120	695	575	120	695	11	10	57	30	5	4	739	...	40	40	
Colome	E. E. Holmes	500	96	596	675	96	771	15	15	50	50	5	5	841	150	92	242	
Dallas	C. M. Stebbins	425	...	425	425	...	425	10	10	42	42	5	5	482	30	40	70	
Danton Cir.	R. S. Krofforth	150	...	150	150	...	150	...	...	8	8	...	...	...	60	12	72
Dudley	Thos. Wm. Bradley...	875	125	1000	875	125	1000	17	...	87	40	8	...	1040	89	60	149	
Ethan	P. J. E. Black	250	120	370	255	120	375	2	2	60	60	2	2	439	65	50	115	
Fairfax-Herrick..	W. J. McClarian	500	...	500	500	...	500	10	...	50	50	5	...	550	26	24	50	
Farmer	Geo. D. Egner	700	150	850	568	150	718	14	5	50	20	7	2	745	75	30	105	
Fulton	Wm. Arnold Greene...	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250	20	20	100	100	10	10	1380	235	115	350	
Geddes	W. T. Ferguson	800	144	944	800	144	944	8	3	80	80	7	6	1033	125	60	185	
Gregory	J. P. Patter	350	...	350	400	...	400	7	...	35	...	3	...	400	20	50	70	
Iona-Hamil	Robt. J. Aitcherson ..	650	250	900	500	250	750	12	...	52	52	6	...	802	50	88	138	
Kennebec	F. B. Dunn	700	150	850	700	150	850	14	14	70	70	8	8	942	74	45	119	
Kimball	R. B. Tibbetts	800	100	900	945	100	1045	16	...	80	85	8	...	1130	75	45	120	
Letcher	*J. S. Hoagland	2800	500	3300	2800	500	3300	100	100	250	250	20	20	3670	2500	700	3200	
Mitchell	W. N. Potter	1000	360	1360	1000	360	1360	20	15	100	100	10	10	1485	120	60	180	
Mt. Vernon	Curtis B. Harrold	800	...	800	800	...	800	16	...	80	80	8	...	880	100	40	140	
Murdo	W. E. Gale	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	20	15	100	100	10	10	1330	165	95	260	
Plankinton	F. H. Travthick	1100	200	1300	1100	200	1300	22	22	110	110	11	11	1443	156	60	216	
Platte	Marion L. Sunderlin ..	600	...	600	600	...	600	12	4	60	60	6	2	666	150	48	198	
Presho	R. N. Kratz	400	...	400	400	...	400	8	2	40	40	4	4	443	58	45	103	
Pukwana	A. S. Loveall	1000	150	1150	1000	150	1150	20	15	100	100	10	10	1275	150	75	225	
Scotland	R. B. Hughes	650	300	950	650	300	950	16	5	65	65	6	5	1025	51	69	120	
Springfield	P. J. Black	250	...	250	250	...	250	5	1	25	25	2	...	276	25	25	50	
St. Charles	W. O. Redfield	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200	20	30	100	100	10	10	1340	125	110	235	
Tripp-Delmont ..	J. B. Dibble	1000	120	1120	1000	120	1100	20	18	97	97	10	8	1243	150	50	200	
Tyndall	Ralph M. Howell	700	120	820	654	120	774	14	...	70	62	7	...	836	46	50	96	
Tripp Circuit	James F. Gurney .....	...	...	...	93	...	93	...	...	...	...	...	...	93	...	35	35
Vivian-Draper ..	E. T. Underwood	850	150	1000	850	150	1000	18	18	85	55	8	6	1079	100	69	169	
Vivian Cir.	A. J. Hoyer	950	200	1150	950	200	1150	18	18	95	95	8	8	1271	95	109	204	
Wagner-Ravinia ..	N. S. Crouder	625	180	805	625	180	805	12	2	65	65	6	2	874	...	50	50	
White Lake	Geo. B. Gordon	316	...	316	316	...	316	6	...	31	24	3	...	340	21	24	45	
Winner	T. J. Black	250	...	250	105	...	105	5	...	25	...	2	...	105	...	...	...
Dunlap																		
Herrick																		
Total		27151	4835	32086	26971	4835	31956	497	571	398	2662	24448	251	175	24977	5692	2783	8477

*Including W. C. Leak, Assist. 300

Name of Charges	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS (DISCIPLINARY)																Other Benev. Collections							
	Missions						Board of Education	Board Sunday Schools	Conference Claimants		Freedman's Aid Society	America Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational Interests	Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Expenses Epw'th L.	Grand Total			
	Board M'n. M's.			Board Home M's.																				
	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts																(a) Church (General)	(b) Sunday Schools	(c) Children's Fund
Alexandria.....	110	...	27	104	...	...	...	...	7	11	...	12	...	23	2	156	...	452	93	212	305	...	2	759
Armour.....	2	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	2	12
Bard.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bijou Hills.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bridgewater.....	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	10	10	...	...	...
Chamberlain.....	56	4	...	56	4	...	...	...	11	5	...	10	20	12	...	...	...	41	10	...	10	2	...	15
Colome.....	18	...	...	15	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	272	33	...	10	2	2	53
Dallas.....	2	...	...	8	...	...	1	...	4	1	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	18	10	...	33	...	...	305
Danton Cir.....	14	...	...	14	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	36	...	10	...	...	...	28
Dudley.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36
Ethan.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fairfax-Herrick..	10	...	...	5	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	5
Farmer.....	69	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	22	...	138	138	...	...	160
Fulton.....	20	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	69	3	9	12	...	...	81
Geddes.....	55	...	...	55	...	...	...	...	5	6	...	4	20	10	...	46	...	50	5	...	5	3	...	58
Gregory.....	10	10	...	20	5	...	...	...	5	2	1	3	...	3	1	...	...	201	35	29	64	5	...	270
Iona-Hamil.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	61	7	...	7	4	...	72
Kennebec.....	7	...	...	...	3	...	4	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	5
Kimball.....	11	7	...	9	7	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	3	...	1	...	20	...	16	16	...	...	36
Letcher.....	5	4	...	5	4	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	3	...	10	...	51	12	...	12	3	1	67
Mitchell.....	300	25	100	125	25	75	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	40	5	975	120	22	5	3	8	...	...	30
Mt. Vernon.....	50	10	...	50	10	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	15	10	...	...	...	153	35	...	33	...	...	188
Murdo.....	10	2	...	10	2	...	...	...	4	2	6	8	3	5	2	...	...	58	10	2	12	...	...	70
Plankinton.....	40	11	...	40	10	...	3	...	5	6	...	...	...	6	2	108	...	231	40	2	42	2	...	275
Platte.....	25	15	20	20	15	...	...	...	2	4	...	10	...	5	1	...	...	172	20	1	21	...	...	193
Presho.....	7	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	26	8	75	83	2	2	113
Pukwana.....	6	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	2	...	...	16	5	9	14	1	...	31
Scotland.....	17	10	...	12	10	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	5	3	23	...	90	15	...	15	...	...	105
Springfield.....	5	5	...	5	5	...	5	...	3	2	...	6	5	4	...	...	...	45	...	20	20	...	...	65
St. Charles.....	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	1	1	...	...	13
Tripp-Delmont....	34	...	18	34	8	...	...	...	7	5	...	5	25	7	1	1	...	146	51	30	81	3	...	230
Tyndall.....	16	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	1	...	14	...	50	18	...	18	...	...	68
Tripp Co. Miss....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vivian-Draper.....	10	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	30	7	...	7	2	...	39
Vivian Cir.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wagner-Ravinia..	50	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	7	4	...	10	...	10	4	...	...	135	27	5	32	...	4	171
White Lake.....	49	2	35	49	2	...	...	...	2	4	1	9	...	10	...	2	...	165	32	1	33	1	1	200
Winner.....	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	12	2	...	2	...	...	14
Dunlap.....	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Herrick.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	43	43	...	...	59
	1018	108	205	758	113	75	28	15	97	63	35	105	103	182	32	1493	125	4558	1933	2764	4697	28	17	9300

Statistics No. 1

SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

G. W. ROSENBERRY, Dist. Supt

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Name of Charges	Church Membership				Baptisms	Sunday Schools				Epworth Leagues		Church Property								
	Probationers	Members	Local Preachers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars Including C. R. and H. D.	Sr. Chapters	Members	Jr. Chapters	Members	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value	Pd. Bldg. Im. Ch. Prop. & Prs'ng's	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Pres. Indebtedness
Alecster.....		43	2		1		2	16	60					2	3000	1	1500			
Beresford.....	6	74	1	2	6		1	14	155	1	30			1	4600	1	1500	70		
Canistota.....	9	98	2	4	15	1	2	16	112	1	10			2	4300	1	1700	140		
Canton.....	3	234	1	3	4	1	1	21	220	1	35	1	30	1	5000	1	5000	100		225
Centerville....	8	82		1	2		2	14	123	1	28	1	14	2	6800	1	1000	453		110
Colton.....		58			1	12	2	12	125	2	70			1	4000	1	1500	250	100	650
Davis.....	6	48			1		1	14	114	1	32			1	3000	1	1200	38		250
Dell Rapids...	4	125		3	3		1	14	220	1	20			1	3500	1	2000	69	270	
Egan.....	9	153		1	15	86	1	17	207	1	40	1	64	1	7000	1	1600	5700		
Elk Point.....	7	134		1	10	7	2	22	215	1	30			2	6500	1	1650	225		
Flandreau.....	10	193			3	3	2	21	222	1	61			1	5000	1	2500	160		243
Flandreau C't..	1	38	1				1	4	60	1	28			1	1000					
Garretson.....	3	35					2	15	110	2	45	1	15	2	4500	1	1000	1350		
Gayville.....		135	1	1	9	13	3	32	160	2	70			3	6500	1	1800	150		
Harrisburg....	5	57	1	1		6	3	24	125	1				1	2200	1	1000	26		
Hartford.....	10	182	1	1	8	60	2	31	230	1	60			2	5800	1	3000	2800		
Hudson.....		102	1				2	16	90	1	40			2	4000	1	1500			
Hurley.....	8	126		1	2	18	1	14	211	1	38	1	20	2	5500	1	1500	35		
Lennox.....		30			1		2	12	86	1	20			2	3000	1	1500	55		
Montrose.....	5	50	1			2	1	11	78					1	2750	1	1900	81	25	250
Parker.....	10	212	1	2	2	8	1	18	473	1	60			1	7000	1	2500	100		
Salem.....		76	1		2	3	1	15	115					1	3000	1	2500	48		
Sioux Falls—																				
First.....	31	694	1	9	3	57	1	43	775	1	120	1	60	1	17000	1	5000	360		
Jordan.....	8	71		1		2	2	22	188					1	2500	1	4400	60		1000
Valley Springs	1	98	1	2	2	2	3	21	120					3	7200			300		
Vermillion....	36	311		2	10		1	26	340	1	76	1	50	1	12000	1	3000	700	1100	
Wakonda.....	3	67	1	1	3		2	17	110	2	62			3	10000	1	3000	848		600
Yankton.....	20	280			5		1	20	350	1	50			1	12000	1	2500	50		1800
Total.....	203	3704	16	36	108	241	46	522	5394	27	1015	7	253	43	158650	26	57250	14168	1495	5128

SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.
Statistics No. 2 **G. W. ROSENBERRY, Dist. Supt**

Name of Charges	Sunday Schools											COLLECTION FOR BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS	
	No. of Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all Grades, not including Cradle Roll and Home Dept.	Average Attendance of all Grades	No. of Members in the Home Department	No. of Children on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment in all Depts. including Cradle Roll and Home Dept. but not Officers and Teachers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Scholars, whether Attendants or members in Home Dept. who are Ch'ch Mbrs. or Probationers	No. of members of Sunday School Converted during the year.	Current Expenses; Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	(a)	(b)
												Church	Sunday School
Alcester.....	2	16	60	40			60	10	25	1	50		3
Beresford.....	1	14	120	80	17	18	141	12	65	12	160	9	4
Canistota.....	2	16	108	63		10	102	16	73	6	80	1	1
Canton.....	1	21	180	160		40	220	21	200	10	100		7
Centerville.....	2	14	109	60	7	7	123	13	50	4	87	5	1
Colton.....	2	12	125	100			125	10	58	12	50		
Davis.....	1	14	108	54		6	114	14	10	7	50	1	
Dell Rapids...	1	14	200	125		20	220	13			151		11
Egan.....	1	17	158	118	24	25	207	15	80	75	110	1	4
Elk Point.....	2	22	180	120		35	215	21	50	7	100	3	5
Flandreau.....	2	21	199	130		23	222	18	130	22	62	15	
Flandreau c't..	1	4	60	40			60	8	45		16		
Garretson.....	2	15	95	64	10	5	110	10	40	5	40	9	
Gayville.....	3	32	150	120		10	160	32	110	25	120		10
Harrisburg.....	3	24	125	104			125	11	27	3	75		
Hartford.....	2	31	230	150			230	31	175	20	125	15	6
Hudson.....	2	16	90										
Hurley.....	1	14	176	100		21	211	14	8	21	89		6
Lennox.....	2	12	76	72		10	86	12	20		45	4	
Montrose.....	1	11	78	30			78	11		4	35	1	
Parker.....	1	18	350	85	48	75	473	18	155	20	275	10	4
Salem.....	1	15	115	95			115	12		8	62	3	6
Sioux Falls—													
First.....	1	43	725	405		50	775	46		110	450		25
Jordan.....	2	22	188	130			188	12	45	8	60		
Valley Springs.	3	21	120	105			120	21	35	1	60	3	1
Vermillion.....	1	26	310	167	15	15	340	24	200	2	183		4
Wakonda.....	2	17	95	79		15	110	9	49		69	10	
Yankton.....	1	20	300	150		50	350	20	100		150		10
	46	522	4830	2946	121	435	5280	454	1750	383	2854	90	110

SIOUX FALLS DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

Statistics No. 3

G. W. ROSENBERRY, Dist. Supt

Name of Charges	Name of Pastor	PASTOR'S SUPPORT							Con. Claims Support	Support Dist. Supts.		Support of Bishops		Total Support Pastors Con. Claims Dist. Supts., Bishops	Current Expenses			
		CLAIMS			RECEIPTS			Church, Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc.										
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiencies		Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid		Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	S. S. Lesson Leaves, Books Etc.	Total
Alcester	W. J. Sherman	600	100	700	634	100	734	50	12	12	60	60	6	6	812	120	50	170
Beresford.....	G. D. Brown.....	1150	150	1300	1175	150	1325		23	23	115	115	12	12	1475	196	160	356
Canistota.....	J. R. Krins.....	750	100	850	700	100	800		15	15	75	75	7	7	897	120	80	200
Canton.....	E. E. Hunt.....	1200	360	1560	1200	360	1560		36	36	120	120	12	12	1728	200	100	300
Centerville.....	O. P. Jackson.....	750	120	870	752	120	872		15	15	75	75	7	7	969	130	87	217
Colton.....	A. H. Beardsley.....	450	100	550	450	100	550	20	9	9	45	45	4	4	608	75	50	125
Davis.....	G. H. Book.....	750	100	850	750	100	850		14	14	75	75	7	7	946	50	50	100
Dell Rapids.....	A. P. Janes.....	1000	185	1185	1000	185	1185		20	20	100	100	10	10	1315	151	151	302
Egan.....	N. A. Christensen.....	800	150	950	800	150	950		16	16	80	80	8	8	1054	454	110	564
Elk Point.....	H. E. Rice.....	900	150	1050	900	150	1050		18	18	90	90	9	9	1167	175	100	275
Flandreau.....	A. W. Thurston.....	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250	20	20	20	100	100	10	10	1380	321	62	383
Flandreau Ct.....	D. C. Arms.....	120		120	100		100		2	8	12	12	1	1	121		16	16
Garretson	P. V. Brethorst.....	400	120	520	400	120	520		8	8	40	40	4	4	572	75	40	115
Gayville.....	C. H. Graf.....	1200	180	1380	1200	180	1380		24	24	120	120	12	12	1536	160	120	280
Harrisburg.....	C. O. Bigger.....	650	100	750	650	100	750		21	15	65	65	7	4	834	51	75	126
Hartford.....	Mm. N. Deller.....	1075	150	1225	1075	150	1225	67	25	25	117	117	11	11	1378	250	125	375
Hudson.....	Arthur Pitman.....																	
Hurley.....	W. S. Rowden.....	880	120	1000	880	120	1000			5	88	88		4	1097	208	89	297
Lennox.....	Herbert Pollard.....	700	100	800	633	100	733		15	3	70	66	7	5	807	81	45	126
Montrose.....	Myron Redfield.....	400		400	400		400		8	2	40	40	4	1	443	55	35	90
Parker.....	H. P. Eberhart.....	1200	200	1400	1200	200	1400	42	24	24	120	120	12	12	1556	300	275	575
Salem.....	Paul Gardner	1000	200	1200	1100	200	1300		30	30	100	100	10	10	1440	166	62	228
Sioux Falls.....																		
First.....	J. W. Potter.....	2000	600	2600	2000	600	2600		40	56	200	200	30	30	2886	1200	450	1650
Jordan.....	S. H. Shurtleff.....	700	250	950	658	250	908		14	10	70	60		3	981	300	60	360
Valley Springs.....	G. N. Gage.....	700		700	725		725	12	12	70	70	8	8	815	140	60	200	
Vermillion.....	T. B. Wilber.....	1400	240	1640	1400	240	1640	42	42	140	140	14	14	1836	560	183	743	
Wakonda.....	E. E. Saxton.....	925	225	1150	925	225	1150	20	24	24	85	85	8	8	1267	150	69	219
Yankton.....	J. M. Tibbetts.....	1500	300	1800	1500	300	1800		20	20	150	150	15	15	1985	700	150	850
		24200	4550	28750	24207	4550	28757	179	508	506	2422	2408	235	234	31905	6388	2854	9242

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SIoux FALLS DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912.

G. W. ROSENBERRY, Dist. Supt

Name of Charges	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS (DISCIPLINARY)																	Other Benev. Collections						
	Missions						Board of Education			Board of Sunday Schools	Conference Claimants	Freedman's Aid Society	America Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society		Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational Interests	Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Expenses Epw'th L.	Grand Total	
	Board F'r'n M's.			Board Home M's.			Board of Education								(a) Cash	(b) Supplies								
	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts	(a) Church (General)	(b) Sunday Schools	(c) Children's Fund	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Con. Fund	Freedman's Aid Society	America Bible Society			Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	(a) Cash	(b) Supplies	Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational Interests	Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Expenses Epw'th L.	Grand Total
Alcester.....	10	2	.....	9	2	.....	4	.....	9	4	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	43	.....	59	102	1	1	164
Beresford.....	40	10	.....	37	11	2	.....	11	9	4	.....	6	.....	2	.....	20	.....	223	30	.....	255	.....	1	256
Canistota.....	59	5	.....	59	5	.....	4	.....	6	1	.....	3	.....	1	.....	25	.....	174	10	5	189	4	.....	193
Canton.....	100	39	40	100	39	22	.....	7	6	.....	.....	15	2	60	.....	.....	.....	410	36	1854	2300	.....	.....	2303
Centerville.....	23	5	40	23	5	1	.....	9	5	1	.....	4	1	100	.....	.....	.....	220	15	16	251	.....	2	253
Colton.....	10	20	.....	10	15	1	.....	6	.....	3	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	29	36	137	4	1	142
Davis.....	20	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	.....	5	59	.....	.....	59
Dell Rapids.....	85	15	.....	85	15	.....	.....	6	.....	11	20	10	20	5	68	.....	.....	340	63	50	453	5	.....	458
Egan.....	45	.....	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	3	1	4	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	106	30	540	676	.....	.....	676
Elk Point.....	25	17	.....	25	17	.....	.....	.....	3	5	.....	6	2	.....	74	.....	.....	174	10	2	186	.....	.....	186
Flandreau.....	131	22	15	104	22	.....	.....	8	16	2	10	.....	20	.....	83	.....	.....	423	80	314	817	.....	3	820
Flandreau Ct.....	14	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	1	1	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	1	41	1	.....	42
Garretson.....	22	12	.....	25	.....	2	.....	8	9	.....	4	8	5	1	21	.....	.....	113	18	158	289	.....	1	290
Gayville.....	85	10	.....	85	10	10	10	.....	10	.....	.....	15	20	7	25	5	.....	292	65	180	537	10	3	550
Harrisburg.....	14	5	.....	16	3	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	5	10	3	1	.....	.....	.....	64	10	50	124	.....	1	125
Hartford.....	68	31	30	90	.....	4	.....	5	15	6	.....	.....	18	2	.....	.....	.....	269	74	120	463	.....	.....	463
Hudson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hurley.....	53	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	7	.....	6	.....	1	.....	2	1	51	.....	.....	136	15	75	221	.....	.....	226
Lennox.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	1	.....	4	.....	3	.....	2	.....	62	.....	.....	82	2	16	100	3	1	104
Montrose.....	4	.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	12	1	.....	13	2	.....	15
Parker.....	90	18	.....	57	18	3	.....	.....	10	4	12	.....	12	2	273	.....	.....	499	90	37	626	.....	.....	626
Salem.....	24	7	.....	23	6	2	.....	2	3	6	.....	.....	7	1	44	.....	.....	144	35	1	180	2	.....	182
Sioux Falls—	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
First Church...	485	125	190	310	125	.....	15	.....	.....	25	20	.....	48	10	390	65	.....	1808	200	69	2077	10	7	2094
Jordan.....	16	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	31
Valley Springs...	55	6	80	55	5	4	.....	11	3	1	3	.....	4	2	.....	.....	.....	229	35	108	372	.....	.....	372
Vermillion.....	.....	18	80	92	18	.....	.....	20	4	4	.....	.....	20	5	502	90	100	945	50	2	997	5	2	1004
Wakonda.....	44	2	14	44	2	.....	.....	5	10	.....	20	.....	7	.....	87	.....	.....	215	28	.....	243	.....	.....	243
Yankton.....	100	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	5	10	.....	20	.....	15	3	111	.....	.....	364	50	.....	414	.....	3	417
	1627	369	489	1464	318	37	26	141	127	80	141	45	248	53	2509	161	100	7482	976	3700	12158	47	29	12234

Statistics No. 1

WATERTOWN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912

ORIEN E. BOYCE, Disrict Supt.

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Name of Charges	Church Membership			Baptisms	Sunday Schools			Epworth Leagues			Church Property									
	Probationers	Members	Local Preachers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars Including C. R. and H. D.	Sr. Chapters	Members	Jr. Chapters	Members	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value	Pd. Bldg. Im. Ch. Prop. & P's'ng's	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Pres. Indebtedness
Arlington.....		112		2			1	13	172	1	148	1	20	1	3500	1	5000			1400
Artesian.....		108		1	8	7	2	20	120	2	43	1	11	1	6000	1	2500			
Brookings.....		347	1	5	8	2	1	24	397	1	40			1	25000	1	4000	475		
Bruce.....	2	53		1	4	3	2	16	98	1	23			2	2500	1	1000		75	100
Chester.....		43		2	2	1	1	8	52					1	2000					
Clark.....	3	204		1	5	17	2	26	268	1	25			2	11000	1	2700	75		800
Castlewood....		66			3		1	7	75					1	2500	1	2000		150	1050
Clear Lake....	6	67			4		1	14	95	1	30	1	25	1	3000	1	2000			
Colman.....		82		1	4		2	19	100					2	5000	1	2000	110		
Delmont.....		78	1	1	1		1	12	106	1	20			1	3000	1	1000			
Doland.....	3	146			5		2	23	184	1	40	1	83	2	7000	1	4000			
Elkton.....	5	70				5	5	30	270	2	35			2	3500			50		900
Frankfort.....	2	65			2	13	1	13	112	1	33	1	30	1	2000	1	2300			900
Gary.....	15	253		2	25	8	3	30	284	1	48			3	6000	1	2600	250		300
Garden City...	2	145		1	1		2	28	260	1	35	1	25	2	9000	1	2000			
Hazel-Thomas.	16	162		8	8	10	2	21	283	2	60			2	4500	1	2000	155	230	
Henry.....		132	1	2	1		2	21	154	1	22	2		2	4000	2	3000	158		
Howard.....	6	105		1	8	6	1	15	85	1	27	1	25	1	3500	1	3000	1553		1145
Junius.....	1	40					1	7	65					1	2000	1	1000	600	300	73
Lake Preston.	9	89	1		5		1	13	120	1	20			1	7000	1	2000	40		850
Madison.....	11	300		8	12	9	1	22	205	1	56	1	32	1	25000	1	2000	121	170	
Oldham.....		17	2		7	3	1	5	70	1	10									
Roswell.....	4	98		1	21		3	25	150	2	68	1	15	2	4500	1	2000	125	200	300
Watertown....	3	525		8	17	10	1	37	744	1	50			1	16000	1	6000	100		
White.....	5	134	2	2	6	2	1	15	170	1	25			1	1800	1	3000	100		
.	34	3441	8	39	157	96	41	464	4639	25	855	11	266	36	159300	23	57100	3912	1123	7118

WATERTOWN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912
Statistics No. 2 **ORIEN E. BOYCE, District Supt.**

Name of Charges	Officers and Teachers	No. of Schools	No. of Scholars of all Grades, not including Cradle Roll and Home Dept.	Average Attendance of all Grades	No. of Members in the Home Department	No. of Children on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment in all Depts. including Cradle Roll and Home Dept. but no Officers and Teachers	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers	No. of Scholars, whether Attendants or members in Home Dept. who are Chrch Mbrs. or Probationers	No. of members of Sunday School Converted during the year.	Current Expenses; Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	COLLECTION FOR BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS	
												(a) Church	(b) Sunday School
Arlington.....	1	13	148	112		24	172	13			140	10	5
Artesian.....	2	20	120	90			120	17		10	72		5
Brookings.....	1	24	374	256	25	25	397	24	300	6	300	5	
Bruce.....	2	16	98	66			98	6			8	3	
Chester.....	1	8	52	34			52	8	25	2	32	3	
Clark.....	2	26	254	172		14	268	20	100	19	180	10	
Castlewood.....	1	7	75	45			75	7	40	1	52		
Clear Lake.....	1	14	61	55		34	95	7	30		60		1
Colman.....	2	19	100	62			100	18	59		45		
De Smet.....	1	12	78	45	14	14	106	10	37		32		2
Doland.....	2	23	184	153			184	19	3		128	8	2
Elkton.....	5	30	250	130		20	270	22	70	10	100		12
Frankfort.....	1	13	109	51		3	112	12	70	12		2	
Gary.....	3	30	254			30	284			13	65	1	
Garden City.....	2	28	250	146		10	260	25		1	110	9	
Hazel and Thomas	2	21	250	136		33	283	20	125	60	84	12	
Henry.....	2	21	140	93		14	154	14		30	151	10	
Howard.....	1	15	85	66			85	9	42	5	69	4	3
Junius.....	1	7	65	60			65	7	40	1	30	3	
Lake Preston.....	1	13	120	75			120	13	80		60		
Madison.....	1	22	175	145		30	205	21	113	7	204	5	
Oldham.....	1	5	70	45			70	4			48	1	
Roswell.....	3	25	125	98		25	150	21	53	20	110	2	
Watertown.....	1	37	617	245	30	87	744	37	400	18	300	35	
White.....	1	15	150	86		20	170	15		12	110		10
Total.....	41	464	4174	2466	69	383	4639	369	1587	227	2568	123	40

WATERTOWN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912

ORIEN E. BOYCE, District Supt.

Statistics No. 3

Name of Charges	Name of Pastor	Pastor's Support						Support Con. Clts		Support Dist. Supts		Support of Bishops		Total Support Pastors, Con. Claims, Dist. Supts., Bishops	Current Expenses			
		Claims			Receipts			Deficiencies	Amount Appor-tioned	Amount Paid	Amount Appor-tioned	Amount Paid	Amount Appor-tioned		Amount Paid	Church, Sexton, Fuel, Light, etc.	S. S. Lesson Leaves, Books, etc.	Total
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total											
Arlington.....	R. E. Tarleton.....	1000	250	1250	1000	250	1250		20	20	100	100	10	10	1380	130	140	270
Artesian.....	H. C. Riley.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		20	11	100	100	10	5	1316	115	75	190
Brookings.....	W. A. Black.....	1400	300	1700	1400	300	1700		28	28	140	140	14	14	1882	750	300	1050
Bruce.....	Frank Tanner.....	600	100	700	516	100	616	84	12	12	60	60	6	6	694	100	8	108
Chester.....	C. B. Dennison.....	500	35	535	432	35	467	68	10	10	50	50	5	5	532	60	32	92
Clark.....	A. C. MacLean.....	1200	250	1450	1200	250	1450		24	24	120	120	12	12	1606	300	180	480
Castlewood.....	J. E. Reynolds.....	500	200	700	329	200	529	171	10		50	28	5		557		52	52
Clear Lake.....	W. J. Dudgeon.....	700	150	850	740	150	890		14	14	70	70	7	7	981	125	60	185
Colman.....	Reported by Dis. Sup.	625	120	745	625	120	745		12	8	62	62	6	4	819	40	45	85
De Smet.....	Fred Rawlinson.....	800	120	920	592	120	712	208	16	12	80	69	8	6	799	123	32	155
Doland.....	L. L. Layne.....	1000	200	1200	1000	200	1200		30	30	100	100	10	10	1340	190	128	318
Elkton.....	Earl W. Skinner.....	725		725	650		650	75	13	12	72	64	7	7	733	50	100	150
Frankfort.....	C. C. Boslaugh.....	800	216	1016	800	216	1016		16	16	80	80	8	8	1120	100	75	175
Gary.....	L. W. Darling.....	1025	250	1275	1025	250	1275		10	10	102	102	10	4	1391	200	65	265
Garden City.....	John Kaye.....	1000	150	1150	1000	150	1150		20	20	100	100	10	10	1280	170	110	280
Hazel-Thomas....	B. W. McEldowney....	950	180	1130	950	180	1130		20	23	95	95	10	10	1258	125	84	209
Henry-Kampeska.	Fred H. Ray.....	1000	180	1180	1000	180	1180		20	20	100	100	10	10	1310	136	151	287
Howard.....	R. Glenn Minkler.....	1000	175	1175	1000	175	1175		20	20	100	100	10	10	1305	127	69	196
Junius.....	John. Ebert.....	400	60	460	400	60	460		8	8	40	40	4	2	510	25	30	55
Lake Preston....	E. R. Little.....	800	180	980	734	180	914	66	16	16	80	80	8	8	1018	125	60	185
Madison.....	A. E. Buriff.....	1400	240	1640	1400	240	1640		28	28	140	140	14	14	1822	778	204	982
Oldham.....	J. N. Oakley.....	579		579	579		579		8	6	57	35	5	4	624	50	48	98
Roswell.....	Anthony L. Wilson....	700	100	800	653	100	753	47	14	6	70	70	7	3	832	144	110	254
Watertown.....	J. N. Greene.....	1800	400	2200	1800	400	2200		36	40	180	180	18	18	2438	460	300	760
White.....	W. E. Hartung.....	1150	180	1330	1150	180	1330		23	23	115	115	11	11	1479	190	110	300
Totals.....		22654	4236	26890	22135	4236	26211	719	448	417	2263	2200	225	198	29026	4613	2568	7181

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WATERTOWN DISTRICT, DAKOTA CONFERENCE, FOR 1912

ORIEN E. BOYCE, Disrict Supt.

Name of Charges	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS (DISCIPLINARY)																	Other Benev. Collections					
	Missions						Board of Education	Board of Sunday Schools	Conference Claimants	Freedman's Aid Society	America Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Collections	Local Educational Interests	Miscellaneous	Total Benevolent Collections	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Expenses Epw'th L.	Grand Total			
	Board F'r'n M's.			Board Home M's.																			
	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts	(a) Church	(b) Sunday Schools	Special Gifts															(a) Church (General)	(b) Sunday Schools	(c) Children's Fund
Arlington.....	70	30		71	29	5		6	10	5	10	5	20	3	139	10	413	58	20	491	2		493
Artesian.....	43		65	40				5		5			5	1			164			164			164
Brookings.....	165	28	90	163	68			10	5		5		27	5	269	97	932	125	26	1083			1083
Bruce.....	33			33		1		3	3		6		6	1	46		132	21	122	275	2		277
Chester.....	25			25		1		6	3		5		6	3			74	5	1	80			80
Clark.....	50	45	30	50	45			10	10		5		18	2	262	1	528	60	135	723		1	724
Castlewood.....		5						2									7			7			7
Clear Lake.....	45		17	12				11		1			2				28			28	1	2	91
Colman.....	14			14				2					3				33			33			33
De Smet.....	8	2	20	15	2	2		2		2	6		2				61	15		76	2	1	79
Doland.....	91	10	40	91	10	3		15	8	2	10		20	1	7	21	329	70	5	404	5	4	413
Elkton.....	40	14	20	40				3		12	2	2	5	1	23		162			162	1		163
Frankfort.....	20			20				5	2		3		10	1			67	40	13	120	2	2	124
Gary.....	12			12		3		4	1		6		2	1	2	2	45		207	252	2		254
Garden City.....	87	18	40	82	18	5		8	9		10	10	17	4	2	10	383	70	29	482	5	2	489
Hazel-Thomas....	120		65	120		5		11	12		10	5	24	5	65	28	470	63	40	573	5	4	582
Henry-Kampeska.	86	12		86	12	5		11	10		10		19	10	97	2	360	66	19	445	5	1	451
Howard.....	35	32	5	35	32	2	1		4	3	10		13	1	3		176	45	286	507	1		508
Junius.....	15			17		1			3		4						40	8		48	2		50
Lake Preston....	15		8	15				4		2	1		4	1			52	5		57	6		63
Madison.....	85	15	55	85	15	10		10	5		10		10	5	269	3	577	55	2	634	4	3	641
Oldham.....	12			12				2	1		2		2	1		1	33	6	1	40	1	1	42
Roswell.....	20		5	20				5	2		3		4		12		71	17	25	113	3	2	118
Watertown.....	248	248		248	248	12		10	35		18		30	5	338		1440	205	226	1871	18		1889
White.....	55	50	20	55	50	3		8		10	5		10	1	141		408	50	266	724		1	725
	1394	509	480	1361	529	61	1	153	123	42	146	22	259	52	1738	175	7045	984	1423	9452	67	24	9543

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, EPWORTH LEAGUES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS, MINISTERIAL SUPPORT, CHURCH PROPERTY AND CURRENT EXPENSE

Conference for 1912

A. W. THURSTON, Statistical Secretary

District	Church Membership				Baptism		Sunday Schools		Epworth League				Church Property						Current Expenses					
	Probationers	Members	Local Preachers	Deaths	Children	Adults	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars Including C. R. and H. D	Sr. Chapters	Members	Jr. Chapters	Members	Churches	Probable Value	Parsonages	Probable Value	Pd. Bldg. Im. Ch. Prop. & P's'ngs,	Paid on Old Indebtedness	Pres. Indebtedness Church Prop.	Total Support Pastors Con.Claimants Dist. Supts. Bishops	Church, Sexton Fuel, Light, etc.	S. S. Lesson Leaves Books, etc.	Total
Aberdeen--1911	74	2624	10	23	116	107	53	469	4290	22	606	14	388	45	238000	28	52550	24033	7060	31526	31953	4057	2030	6087
1912	58	2778	9	19	222	119	52	511	4494	19	623	11	373	45	260100	29	55500	9629	6843	28311	34028	5408	2462	7865
Huron--1911	16	154	1	4	106	12	1	42	206	3	17	3	15	36	22100	1	2950	14404	217	3215	2075	1346	432	1788
--1912	136	2800	11	24	102	92	49	480	4507	17	581	7	222	36	225400	26	52100	29224	4153	19215	32859	3886	2178	6064
Mitchell--1911	39	2847	11	18	116	96	48	477	4549	21	496	5	167	37	221900	25	54100	19541	3525	63538	29847	4901	2127	7028
--1912	97	47	..	6	14	4	1	3	42	4	85	2	55	1	3500	1	2000	9683	628	44323	3012	1015	51	964
Mitchell--1911	217	3707	22	24	183	195	66	628	5682	22	494	7	209	52	200500	26	49310	18224	5528	21121	35346	5616	2997	8613
--1912	155	3645	11	20	138	203	62	610	5426	21	621	7	233	51	215800	26	53247	11970	7182	22554	34977	5692	2769	8477
Sioux Falls--1911	62	62	11	4	45	8	4	18	256	1	127	..	24	1	15300	..	3937	6254	1654	1433	369	76	228	152
1912	234	3750	17	30	130	146	47	534	5249	25	906	6	181	43	158750	26	53150	11011	1040	9835	32662	5946	2598	8644
--1912	203	3704	16	36	108	241	46	522	5394	27	1015	7	253	43	158650	26	57250	14168	1495	5128	32721	6388	2854	9242
Watertown--1911	30	134	1	6	22	95	1	12	145	2	109	1	72	..	100	..	4100	3157	455	4707	59	442	256	598
--1912	141	3050	11	36	96	54	39	434	4055	22	870	7	244	33	153000	21	47700	14481	4915	5115	27116	4139	2228	6367
Totals--1911	84	3375	8	39	154	96	40	457	4564	25	858	10	266	35	156800	22	55100	3912	975	5868	29026	4613	2568	7129
--1912	57	352	3	3	59	42	1	23	509	3	12	3	22	2	3800	1	7400	10569	3940	753	1910	474	340	762
Totals--1911	802	15751	71	137	626	594	254	2545	23783	108	3457	41	1244	209	975650	127	254810	96977	22776	86816	159936	23634	12131	35765
--1912	597	16349	55	132	738	755	248	2577	24427	113	3613	40	1292	211	1013250	128	275197	59220	20020	125399	160599	26997	12780	39741
--1912	205	598	16	5	112	161	6	32	644	5	156	1	48	2	37600	1	20387	37757	2756	38583	663	3363	649	3976

TREASURER'S SUMMARY

NAMES OF CHARGES	BENOVELENT COLLECTIONS (DISCIPLINARY)											Other Benevo- lent Collections			Support of Confer- ence Claimants (Local)	General Conference Expenses	Central Office Expenses of Epworth League	Episcopal Fund	Total Cash and Vouchers	
	MISSIONS		Board of Education		Board of Sunday Schools	Board of Con C'l'm		Freedman's Aid Society	American Bible Society	Woman's Foreign Misionary Society	Woman's Home Society	Local Educational Interests	Temperance	Miscelancous						
	Board of Foreign Missions	Board of Home Misio and Church Extension	General Education	Children's Fund		Connectional Fund	Permanent Fund													
Aberdeen	1911	1253	838	23	102	166	111	18	120	20	960	22	587	.....	1210	564	122	17	235	6368
	1912	1882	1291	50	152	236	138	14	197	25	1038	54	879	27	5018	587	38	17	252	11901
		629	453	27	50	70	27	—4	77	5	78	32	292	.....	3808	.....	.....	.....	17	5533
Huron	1911	3082	1128	44	112	168	64	2	115	25	1009	63	568	.....	1649	503	111	8	202	8833
	1912	2941	1257	85	100	129	19	...	209	48	1076	18	738	26	1565	391	130	4	184	8928
		—141	129	41	—12	—39	—45	—2	94	23	67	—45	170	.....	—84	—112	19	—4	—18	95
Mitchell	1911	2057	1019	68	112	110	98	5	149	32	1274	93	1719	.....	2823	385	111	16	188	10259
	1912	1040	841	41	106	97	102	18	175	32	1488	158	1941	15	2902	392	26	13	175	9866
		—1017	—278	—27	—6	—13	4	13	26		214	65	222	.....	79	7	—89	—3	—13	—393
Sioux Falls	1911	2848	1624	58	93	198	169	13	196	128	1818	50	902	.....	2195	447	153	28	243	11152
	1912	2511	1772	60	144	208	102	38	248	53	2045	286	1030	36	3586	488	45	30	238	12913
		—337	148	2	51	10	—67	25	52	—75	227	236	128	.....	1411	41	—108	2	—5	1761
Watertown	1911	1980	1471	74	135	206	139	...	193	36	1609	207	691	.....	1336	373	79	43	174	8731
	1912	7406	1850	61	154	159	146	26	257	44	1739	173	1084	19	1396	397	73	24	196	10104
		426	379	—13	19	—47	7		64	8	130	—34	393	.....	60	24	—6	19	22	1273
Recapitulation, 1911		11220	6080	267	554	848	581	38	773	341	6660	435	4467	.....	9213	2272	576	112	1042	45343
	1912	10780	7011	297	658	829	507	76	1086	202	7386	689	5673	123	9954	2255	312	88	1045	49199
		—446	931	30	102	—19	—74	38	313	139	726	254	1216	741	—17	—264	—24	3	3856

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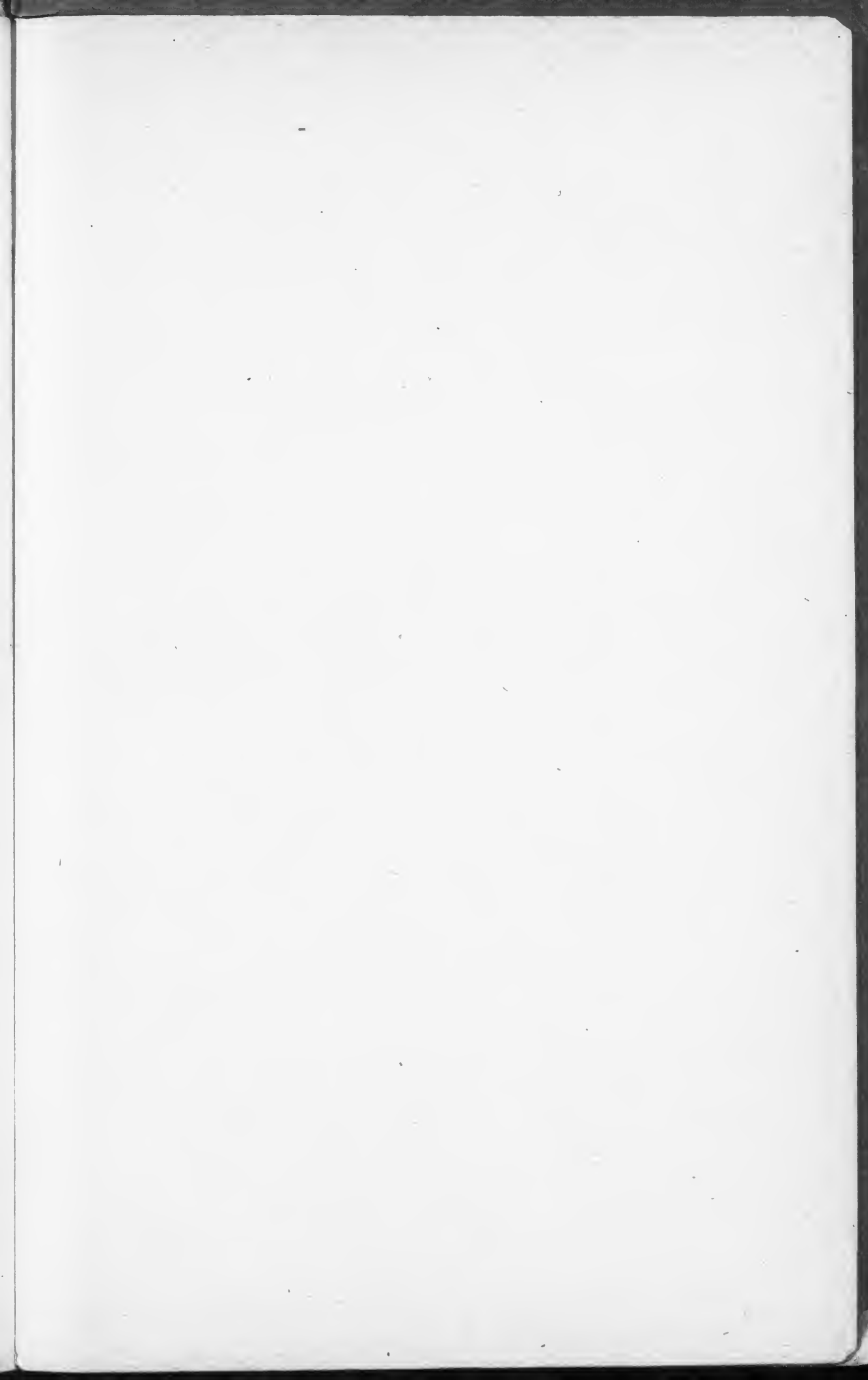
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